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## TUG SETS OUT FOR CHANGTEH ON RELIEF MISSION

### HELP FOR BRITONS & OTHERS IN DANGER

#### ALL-NIGHT FIGHT AT ICHANG

Changsha, Yesterday.  
A shallow draft tug, manned by Lieut. L. P. Skipwith and men from H.M.S. "Widgeon" of the British Yangtze Gunboat Flotilla (Lt. Skipwith being second-in-command of "Widgeon"), has left Changsha in an attempt to evacuate British subjects and other foreigners (if requested by the latter to do so) from Changteh.—British Naval Wireless.  
Nearing Shasi.  
Shasi, Yesterday.  
Nationalist forces (presumably the Kwangsi-ites) are reported to be seven miles from Shasi (which is 287 miles above Hankow) and Chinese gunboats (supporting the Nanking units) have been engaged.—British Naval Wireless.

**A Mix-Up**  
Ichang, Yesterday.  
Constant fighting during the night of April 17-18 was reported around the city of Ichang (which is 83 miles above Shasi) and also on both sides of the Yangtze River.—British Naval Wireless.

[The local garrison is engaged, as are the Kwangsi-ites, running from Hankow. Then there are the pursuers referred to and, to complicate matters, the Szechuanese under Liu Hsiang are advancing on Ichang, professing to cut off the Kwangsi-ites' retreat.]  
**The Previous Lull**  
Hankow, Yesterday.  
Fighting above Shasi has been suspended for the time being.

A fresh outbreak of hostilities is considered unlikely as the position of Hu Tsung-tao's (Kwangsi) forces is most unfavourable and it is believed they will soon capitulate on the best terms obtainable.

Meanwhile, fighting is reported to have broken out at Hengchow in south Hunan. It is not clear whether the Kwangsi troops from the South are driving northward or that Ho Chien, in pursuance of orders from Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, is endeavouring to drive the Kwangsi men from Hunan.

**Anxiety Eased**  
Hostilities have ceased at Changteh. The city has been occupied by Tan Tao-yuan and anxiety regarding foreigners has eased considerably. Lu T'ing has taken over the duties of garrisoning Wu-Han, relieving the 6th division which has proceeded to Nanking. All difficulties have been settled and the situation is quiet.

The Wu-Han rebels have evacuated Machiassi, 10 li from Shasi, last evening. Hu Hsueh-tao and Tao Chun are still at Shasi and it is believed they will retreat westward.—Reuter.

**A Bombshell**  
The "N. C. Daily News" of Tuesday says:

News that there was fighting going on round Changteh came as something of a bombshell to Shanghai. The defeated troops are said to belong to the army of a General Li, thought to be the General Li who attempted to invade Kueichow province and was driven out by the governor.

Mr. Gabb, the chief victim of this latest outrage, is an old employee of the A.P.C. who has travelled in China for many years and well understands the people. The company's agency is a Chinese one and probably contained very little property of the company.

**Troops Under British Flag**  
The C.M.S. "Luenyi," a ship which flies the British flag, being owned in equal shares by the China Merchants S.N. Co., Butterfield & Swire, and Jardine, Matheson & Co., was loaded with troops when she called at Anking on Sunday, says the "N. C. Daily News." A strong protest has been made against the forcing of a ship flying the British flag to carry troops, by the Rear-Admiral of the Yangtze Flotilla. The question of the property of a vessel being operated by the China Merchants, a Chinese company, flying the British flag, has, it is understood, also been raised.

## REPARATIONS

### GERMAN DELEGATION TO WITHDRAW

#### OFFICIAL STATEMENT

Paris, Yesterday.  
It is officially stated that the Germans have declined to increase the annuities to 1,650,000,000 gold marks for 37 years and will therefore not participate in any further meetings of creditors.  
"Courteous But Adamant"  
The Reparations' experts met for two hours this morning and three hours this afternoon. The Germans were courteous but adamant and refused another penny; hence the deadlock.

There will be a plenary meeting to-morrow when, if no further hope of an agreement is entertained, the Committee will wind up.

The failure of the conference involves the continuance of the Dawes annuities, which Germany declares she is unable fully to continue.

**Brighter Prospect**  
The German delegation will attend a plenary sitting of the Reparations Committee, at which Dr. Schacht will present a counter-proposal. He will demand, as a *quid pro quo* yielding the dual question of transfer and commerce.

**TO OUR READERS**

To-morrow's "China Mail" will be well up to the high class of previous Saturday issues, with the art supplement, Stan Hill cartoon, women's section, "Bringing Up Father" (whole page), features, special articles, news etc.

The "Sunday Herald" will also have its art supplement and Sunday features and should not be missed.

cialisation either of a reduction of the amount of the annuity or political compensation, as suppression of the Dantzig corridor or the return to Germany of certain of her ex-colonies.

It was asserted that Germany's well-being is affected by the loss thereof.

The representatives of the creditor powers unanimously decided that they are unable to enter upon such political discussions.

**Consternation in Berlin**  
Berlin, Yesterday.

The news from Paris has caused consternation in official circles but the gloom has been dispelled by the news that the delegate will continue negotiations.

The situation is regarded as being very critical, but it is believed that a way out will be found.

In the delegation's statement Dr. Schacht said they were unable to increase the German payments "on their own responsibility" unless suggestions from the other side are offered; and it is thought that Dr. Schacht has alternative proposals.—Reuter.

## TWO YEARS OLD

### NATIONAL GOVERNMENT OF CHINA

#### KONGMOON'S GIFTS

Peking, Yesterday.  
The municipality of Kongmoon will present to Nanking, the national capital, orange trees and palm trees to be re-planted at the grave of Dr. Sun Yat-sen, the Father of the Chinese Revolution.—Our own correspondent.

**Nanking Celebrates**  
Nanking, Yesterday.  
A memorial service is being held this afternoon to commemorate the second anniversary of the establishment of the National Government at Nanking. Most of the Government organs closed to-day.—Reuter.

**New Stamps**  
Nanking, Yesterday.

New postage stamps, bearing the picture of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, will shortly be issued in commemoration of the unification of the country.—Reuter.

## BIG FIRE

### AMSTERDAM'S "CRYSTAL PALACE" DESTROYED

Amsterdam, Yesterday.  
The Palais Voerluis (the Crystal Palace of Amsterdam) has been completely destroyed by fire.—Reuter.

## ABOLITION OF THE TEA DUTIES

### ONE RESULT

#### DUTCH TEA IMPORTERS' URGENT APPEAL

##### AMSTERDAM HAMPERED

Amsterdam, Yesterday.  
As a result of the abolition of the British tea duties, the Association of Amsterdam Tea Importers is reported to have urgently appealed to the Finance Minister to abolish or very considerably reduce the imposed duty on Dutch tea as the Amsterdam market is being seriously hampered by the present tariff.—Reuter.

## RAIL AND AIR

### NEW POWERS FOR BRITISH RAILWAY COMPANIES

#### BIG SCHEME

London, Yesterday.  
An important step toward the co-ordination of railways and air transport companies has been approved by the joint Parliamentary Committee, which has unanimously decided that Bills may be promoted by railway companies seeking the power to add air transport to their existing facilities. The Committee stipulated that local authorities must be consulted with reference to the establishment of aerodromes.

Sir Herbert Walker, General Manager of the Southern Railway, explained that the companies, jointly with air transport companies, desired to provide services over a continental area and the islands of Europe west of a point, 22deg. east of Greenwich. This limitation was inserted at the instance of the Air Minister and Imperial Airways, to prevent competition beyond Warsaw and Budapest.

Sir Herbert Walker instanced that a rail and sea journey to Berlin took 20 hours, whereas by air it took 9½ hours, the cost being only 50/- more.—Reuter.

## FOR FARMERS

### TWO NEW MEASURES BEING DISCUSSED

#### \$500,000,000 INVOLVED

Washington, Yesterday.  
The House of Representatives began the debate on the Farm Relief Bill and the new agricultural measure introduced by the Senate. Both bills provide for a federal Farm Board to place at its disposal a fund of \$500,000,000.

The Senate measure proposes that the Board be authorized to employ the export debenture plan which is a form of thinly disguised subsidy and likely to provoke much opposition.—Reuter's American Service.

## HIS MAJESTY

### ABLE TO REMAIN LONGER OUTDOORS

#### ANOTHER GOOD DAY

London, Yesterday.  
The King passed a good day. During the morning, the weather cleared and the sun shone brilliantly. His Majesty spent the whole morning in the grounds and, after his usual afternoon rest, he spent another hour in the grounds later in the afternoon.—British Wireless Service.

## CHEFOO TO CHANGE?

### NATIONALISTS MAY COME BACK

Peking, Yesterday.  
Reports from foreign sources state that the family of the "Northern" General Chang Tsung-chang left Chefoo for Dairen on April 16. It is expected Chang himself will shortly follow. Chefoo again falling into Nationalist hands.—Reuter.

**Chefoo, Yesterday.**  
All is quiet in Chefoo.—British Naval Wireless.

## "SOUTHERN CROSS"

### FLIERS LAND SAFELY AT DERBY

Sydney, Yesterday.  
Captain Kingsford Smith and his companions have landed at Derby, Western Australia, in the "Southern Cross"—Reuter.

## WEST RIVER PIRATES REAPPEAR

### FIRING NEAR RAPIDS

#### OLD TROUBLE REKINDLED BY EVACUATION

##### ARMY PLANES RECONNOITRE

[From Our Own Correspondent.]  
Peking, Yesterday.  
Since the withdrawal of the garrison when Canton declared for war against Nanking (and the troops have not returned to their posts in this area even though the order for mobilisation was rescinded), the unique, but short period of absolute peace from pirates and bandits has ended.  
Native craft on the part of the West River near the Kamehuk Rapids have been constantly fired upon by bandits, whose object is to levy toll on passing ships. The outlaws have come out of hiding to pursue their former livelihood. And the junks of a big theatrical company were pirated.  
Silk Bazaar Precautions.  
Order is being maintained in the towns by local troops under the control of magistrates, assisted by the local militia (or defence corps). The silk cocoon bazaar has opened for the first time this season but the authorities, owing to the absence of soldiers, prohibit business at night. In normal times the bazaar is open day and night but, without ample protection, the authorities do not feel justified in taking a risk of the bazaar being raided by robbers.

Military aeroplanes are sent up daily, mainly for instructional purposes, but also for reconnoitring.

## WATER SUPPLY

### Further Restrictive Measures?

An important official announcement respecting the water supply is published in our advertising columns to-day. Further restrictive measures are threatened and the most rigid economy is urged, whilst the co-operation of the public is requested in preventing waste.

## RADIUM

### BRITISH GOVERNMENT AND ITS PURCHASE

#### OFFICIAL STATEMENT

London, Yesterday.  
The Minister of Health, in reply to a question, stated that the Government proposed to establish an organisation, one of whose functions would be to act as an agency for the purchase of radium for medical use in this country or the Dominions and Colonies. Until that had been established and experience had shown what its uses were it would be premature to consider international action regarding radium, as was suggested.—British Wireless Service.

## LUFTHANSA

### RETRENCHMENT SEQUEL NOW ANNOUNCED

#### BIG REDUCTIONS

Berlin, Yesterday.  
A sequel to the reduction of the Air Ministry subsidies, the Lufthansa announces the impending dismissal of 40 per cent of their staff and the reduction of their service from ten million kilometres annually to six millions.—Reuter.

## CAPT. K. G. DEWAR

### APPOINTED TO COMMAND THE "IRON DUKE"

London, Yesterday.  
To-day's list of Naval appointments contains the following: Captain K. G. Dewar to the "Iron Duke," in command, to date May 11.—British Wireless Service.

## TO-DAY'S DOLLAR

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 1/11 9/16.

## SENATOR BLEASE ON THE WARPATH

### QUEER BILL

#### REMARKABLE ADVOCACY OF U.S. "DRY LAW"

##### REQUEST TO THE PRESIDENT

Washington, Yesterday.  
Senator Blease has introduced a Bill requesting Pres. Hoover to ask all foreign diplomats to refrain from serving or using alcoholic liquor at Embassies; also to ask U.S. Public officials here and abroad to refrain from drinking with representatives of a foreign government. Senator Blease has also presented a resolution directed against the "Leviathan" and other vessels to make the "dry law" applicable to vessels flying the American flag on the high seas.—Reuter's American Service.

## TIED OF LIFE

### ATTEMPTED SUICIDE WITH OPIUM

#### GLENEALY SENSATION

Quite a sensation was caused at Glenealy about 5.30 p.m., yesterday, when a would-be suicide was removed from the bush by the side of the path, a few yards from the Calne-road junction.

A crowd collected when a young Chinese, apparently a student, accompanied by an Indian and a Chinese constable, was seen to go into the bush. A little later the trio returned, picking their way with difficulty among the thick shrub. They carried down the unconscious form of a Chinese man, aged about 30 years, dressed in black. There was a trickle of brownish stuff issuing from his mouth. It was evident that the man had pushed his way into the bush and there attempted to commit suicide by swallowing a dose of opium. He was discovered by the student who was hunting for a ball, which had dropped into the bush.

## BEEF SUGAR

### BONUS FOR THE DUTCH INDUSTRY

#### NEW BILL ADOPTED

The Hague, Yesterday.  
The Second Chamber, by 48 votes to 43, has adopted a Bill granting a bonus to the Dutch beet sugar industry for the year from September 1, 1929, to September 1, 1930, not exceeding 1½ florins per 100 kilograms.

It is estimated that the grant will cost the Government 4,000,000 florins.—Reuter.

## DIED IN JAIL

### CORONER PRAISES MOTHER

"There has been no ill-treatment, and consideration of this is, of course, the object of the inquiry," said the coroner at an inquest in Strangeways Jail, Manchester, in reference to the death of John Beesley, aged 23. The man was serving a sentence of four months' imprisonment. Beesley was found dead in his cell on the morning after he had complained of sickness and pains in his stomach, for which he was given a soda mixture. Death was attributed to influenza, and a verdict of death from natural causes was returned.

The coroner complimented the mother warmly on the anxiety she had shown for her son. "I am sure if he had lived he would have made good with such a mother as you," he added.

## THE "CHRISTIAN GENERAL"

Shanghai, Yesterday.  
The Kuo Min News Agency (a Nationalist institution) states that notwithstanding his physician's advice, General Feng Yuxiang is shortly to leave Hwasian, Shensi, for Nanking "in order to allay all fears and set the public mind at ease regarding rumours of impending conflict between his troops and the Government troops." The message adds that Feng Yuxiang's health has been steadily improving, but he has not yet sufficiently recovered to be able to resume active work.—Reuter.

## GIRLS KILLED

### A JUNK FOKI'S ALLEGED CRIME

#### APPEARS IN COURT

The junk foki, wanted for the alleged murder of the two young daughters of his master, about a month ago, has been arrested in Canton.

He was brought down to Hong Kong yesterday, and this morning was charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Central Magistracy, by Detective Inspector L. P. Lane.

A week's formal remand was given. It may be remembered that the two girls, aged 17 and 19, respectively, daughters of the master of cargo junk No. 133-V were sent ashore by their father on the afternoon of March 19 to look for business for the vessel.

At 6 p.m., the master sent the foki, Chau Kau, and the girls' younger brother to Wing Lok wharf to pick them up. When at 9 p.m., the dinghy did not return the father himself went ashore to make inquiries and learned that the dinghy had been seen to leave the wharf with the four on board. He then went to the Water Police Station and there was told that his

**SOME RAIN**  
To-day's weather report from the Royal Observatory states: Pressure is highest over Japan and relatively low over the eastern sea and the gulf of Tongking. Gradients continue to be slight. Forecast:—Easterly or variable winds, moderate; cloudy; some rain.

son was in hospital suffering from injuries alleged to have been caused by the foki who had attacked him and his sisters with a chopper.

The lad saved his own life through jumping into the harbour. He was picked by the Norwegian s.s. "Hellas," where he was given "first aid" before being handed over to the Police, who took him to hospital.

No trace of the two girls was found until the next morning when a Police launch picked the dinghy up near Green Island. In the bottom of the boat, was found the murdered body of the elder girl. It was badly mutilated.

The second girl's body, also badly hacked, was later found floating in the harbour.

The foki, Chau Kau, was not seen again until his arrest in Canton and return to Hong Kong yesterday, when he was identified by the murdered girl's father as his missing foki.

## SMALLER FORCES

### RUSSIAN PROPOSALS TO THE CONFERENCE

#### VOTE POSTPONED

Geneva, Yesterday.  
M. Vinoff submitted a resolution, firstly, that the draft convention be based on the principle of an appreciable reduction in existing armed forces; secondly, that the methods of reducing armaments be based on the proportional principle and applied equally and universally, except in the case of the smaller and sufficiently protected States; thirdly, that there should be the inclusion of numerical co-efficients for the reduction of armaments.—Reuter.

**Private Consideration**  
Geneva, Yesterday.  
The Disarmament Committee postponed the vote on the Soviet scheme till the 19th instant so as to enable further private consideration regarding the Committee's competency to deal with the matter.—Reuter.

## CHINA AND JAPAN

### ANOTHER AGREEMENT DULY INITIALED

Peking, Yesterday.  
The Sino-Japanese agreement settling the Hankow and Nanking incidents has been initialed, but the terms are unknown.—Reuter.

## SMALL - POX SCARE IN EUROPE

### DRASTIC ACTION

#### BRITISH VISITORS BARRED FROM FRANCE

##### OFFICIAL STATEMENT

London, Yesterday.  
Mr. G. Locker Lampson, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, stated in the House of Commons to-day that official confirmation had been received of the suspension by the French Government of an order requiring visitors from England to have been vaccinated within the preceding two months.

Referring to the cause of the order, namely, the outbreak of small-pox aboard the "Tuscania," which arrived at Glasgow on April 1, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Minister of Health, said the number of cases among 1,598 passengers and crew was 45.

There had been seven deaths. All patients had been isolated in hospital and all contacts were being kept under supervision.

Rigorous action had been taken in Great Britain to prevent the spread of small-pox from the "Tuscania" and they appeared to have proved effective. As the ship arrived 17 days ago any serious risk of a widespread outbreak of the disease was now at an end, though it was possible that some secondary cases might arise.—British Wireless Service.

**Earlier News**

Paris, Yesterday.  
According to "Le Matin" the Mayor of Havre declared he would himself apply health measures to travellers from England, in the event of the Government not doing so immediately.

Mrs. Fortescue, from Bombay, who was landed at Marseilles from the "Tuscania," was sent to hospital in Paris with small-pox.

**Mayor Changes His Mind!**  
London, Yesterday.

There were 218 cases of small-pox being treated in Greater London this morning as compared with 202 yesterday morning. No further cases from the "Tuscania" have been reported since April 12.

Passengers on the Southampton-Havre steamer had an anxious night as they were informed at Southampton that the Mayor of Havre was enforcing the vaccination order, but they were not bothered on landing. It was learned that the Mayor changed his mind just before the arrival of the steamer.

**The Bombay Epidemic**  
London, Yesterday.

A reply to a question in the House of Commons revealed that there were 233 cases of small-pox in Bombay City and 130 deaths between January 1 and February 16. There are no later official figures, but it is reported that 363 died between January 1 and March 18, whilst 19,529 cases and 4,821 deaths occurred in the whole of British India between January 1 and February 16, the rates being approximately the same as in 1928.—Reuter.

## NAVAL MOVEMENTS

### YANGTZE FLAGSHIP ARRIVES AT SHANGHAI

H.M.S. "Bee" flagship of the Rear-Admiral, Yangtze, arrived at Shanghai yesterday from Hankow.

H.M.S. "Magnolia," a sloop, arrived at Shanghai from Weihaiwei. H.M.S. "Cornflower," another sloop, left Chefoo for Wosung.

H.M.S. "Sepoy," a destroyer, has arrived at Nanking from Chinkiang.

H.M.S. "Cleopatra" and "Carysfort" cruised out from Home with reliefs for the China Station, left Hong Kong yesterday, the former for Wosung, and the latter for Shanghai.

The life of a man who was over-come by cold on a mountain near Lucerne was saved by his dog, which went several miles and attracted help.

The volcano of Kilauea, in Hawaii, was recently throwing up flames about 200 feet high, and lava is spouting from a crater, which is two miles in diameter and a half broad.







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and China Ware, Kitchen Utensils,  
etc., etc.

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Net, Teak Dressing Table with  
Plate Glass Cover, Teak Ward-  
robe, Chamber Stand, Washstand,  
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Will Members and Subscribers wish-  
ing to attend please send in their  
names to the Hon. Secretary  
together with the names of guests  
—not exceeding two—as early as  
possible.

R. J. VERNALL,  
Hon. Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 18th April, 1929.

## G. R. PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS  
of the Sale by Public Auction  
to be held on MONDAY, the  
22nd day of April, 1929, at  
3 p.m., at the Office of the  
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Order of His Excellency the Gov-  
ernor, of one Lot of Crown Land  
at Shamshuipo, in the Colony  
of Hong Kong, for a term of  
75 years, commencing from 1st  
July, 1893, with the option of  
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by the Surveyor of His Majesty the  
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| No. of the<br>Lot No. 100 | Boundary<br>Measurements | Containing<br>in<br>Acres, Roods,<br>Poles, and<br>Square Feet | Approximate<br>Area in<br>Acres | Approximate<br>Value |
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## COMPRADORE CHITS

PEOPLE EASILY DECEASED  
BY THEM

PORTUGUESE CHARGED

H.B.M. Supreme Court in China  
resumed sitting at Tientsin on April  
4 before Judge G. W. Kinn (Asst-  
ant Judge).

Fernando J. Barretto, of Tientsin,  
was charged that (1) on February  
10, 1929, at Tientsin he did with  
intent to defraud obtain from  
Kichiro Matsumo the sum of \$50 by  
falsely pretending that a certain  
compradore order which he then  
produced and delivered to the said  
Kichiro Matsumo as a good and  
valid order for the payment of \$50  
and he also did with intent to de-  
fraud obtain from William Laidlaw  
the sum of \$20 by falsely pretending  
that a certain compradore order  
which he then produced and deliv-  
ered to the said William Laidlaw as a  
good and valid order for the pay-  
ment of \$20.

Accused pleaded not guilty to  
both charges.  
The following gentlemen formed  
the jury: Messrs. H. F. Baker,  
A. F. Fearon, C. W. L. Way, N. R.  
Dick, and J. A. Andrews.

The Acting Crown Advocate (Mr.  
J. G. Priestwood) conducted the  
prosecution and Mr. Orin de Motte  
Walker, attorney-at-law, defended  
the accused.

A Large Title

The facts were shortly that some  
time up to the end of last year  
there was existing a firm called the  
Asia Trading Company—a Company  
with a very large title which was not  
justified by its prosperity—and this  
Company had its office at No. 49  
Taku-road. However, at the begin-  
ning of January, having got into  
arrears of rent, the Company ceased  
to occupy these premises. Mr.  
Barretto was in some way connected  
with that firm either as the prop-  
rietor or in some other capacity  
and on February 10 he went to the  
store of a Japanese gentleman  
named Kichiro Matsumo, a dealer in  
silk goods, etc., and purchased from  
him a cigarette case and necktie to  
the value of \$11.50 but he did not  
pay for them. What he did was to  
present a compradore order for \$50,  
post-dated February 15, and ask Mr.  
Matsumo whether he would advance  
him \$50 in cash on the strength of  
the compradore order. Mr. Matsumo  
agreed to do so and it was agreed  
that the balance of \$50 should be  
paid to Mr. Barretto when the  
compradore order had been cashed.

At the same time accused also gave  
Mr. Kichiro Matsumo a business  
card. On this business card was  
printed Mr. Barretto's name and the  
name of the Asia Trading Company  
with its address as 49 Taku-road.  
The compradore order was on this  
Company. On February 17, Mr.  
Matsumo went to the address given  
on the card to collect the compradore  
order but there was no one belong-  
ing to the Company there and he  
could not cash it.

In Desperate Straits  
The second charge was very  
similar. On February 28 accused  
went to Mr. Laidlaw's shop and asked  
Mr. Laidlaw whether he would  
cash a compradore order for \$20  
which he produced and which was  
drawn on the Asia Trading Com-  
pany and signed by Barretto in  
exactly the same form as the first  
one. Two days later Mr. Laidlaw  
sent his shroff to the address and  
there was no office of the Asia  
Trading Company there.

Ernest McVeigh (H.B.M. Con-  
sular Constable) said when he ar-  
rested Barretto on March 16 he said  
he was in desperate straits when he  
tended the two compradore orders  
and asked witness if he could accom-  
pany him to settle the matter.  
Witness told him he must go with  
him to the Consulate. Witness ar-  
rested him at 81 Shun Sao Li, a  
lane off Parkes-road.

After evidence had been given by  
the two victims, accused made a  
long statement in the witness box  
in his defence the main contention  
of which was that a Mr. Blum, who  
he said was the manager of the Asia  
Trading Company had authorised  
him to use the Asia Trading Com-  
pany's compradore orders up to the  
amount of about \$70 as he owed  
accused for three months' salary  
and although he could not pay him  
the full amount at the time he  
expected some money in a few days.

Where is Mr. Blum?  
His Lordship: Where is Mr.  
Blum?  
Accused: Well, I don't know  
where he is now. His last address  
was in Chekiang-terrace.  
His Lordship: Is Mr. Blum a  
British subject?  
Accused: No, my Lord, he is  
Lettish.

The jury found accused guilty  
on both counts but added a  
recommendation for leniency in the  
sentence.  
His Lordship said this offering of  
compradore orders was a serious  
offence because credit could be ob-  
tained in such a way that people  
could be easily defrauded. He  
should in the ordinary way have  
passed a fairly heavy sentence be-  
cause it was a practice, that he  
thought should be stopped but  
as the jury had brought in that  
recommendation of a lenient sen-

## "MOONSHINE"

DOCTORS ON ITS BANEFUL  
EFFECTS

NEED FOR INVESTIGATION

Dr. E. Gerald Stanley (Paris)  
writes to the British Medical  
Journal. Can "C. I." seriously  
doubt but that the moon has a very  
marked influence, not only on the  
inhabitants of "hot" countries,  
but on those of all others? Of  
course, the moon does not "shine";  
she reflects to us the light of the  
sun and also reflects back to us  
our own light. Recalling the  
colossal upheaval of the waters of  
the earth which we call tides, caused  
by the moon, the effect of which  
is more than double that of the  
sun (7 to 3), imagination suggests  
terrifying possibilities as to her  
influence on human actions. The  
"harmful" action of the moon, es-  
pecially in perigee, had been sug-  
gested three thousand years before  
Galileo: to the best of my knowl-  
edge the only suggestion of the  
application to human ills was  
made by Rudyard Kipling before  
the Royal Society of Medicine last  
year. If "C. I." is really interest-  
ed in these awful possibilities, he  
should address his inquiries to as-  
tronomers and physicists, and  
above all, to those few who still  
have intelligent imagination. As  
I reflect, a song comes back to me  
from my rather younger days,  
"I'm such a silly when the moon  
comes out." The writer of this  
lyric had imagination; in our pitiful  
ignorance why not hold speech  
with such, even though they only  
write songs for the Gaiety?

No Monopoly in Wisdom

Sir James Barr writes: Why  
does "C. I." (February 16, p. 331)  
seek information from "any medi-  
cal man" about moonshine?  
Medical men do not possess a  
monopoly in wisdom or knowledge  
on any subject. Why does he not  
himself investigate the truth or  
otherwise of what he "hears so  
often"? In an early number of  
the "Health Journal" there was a  
very informative article by Profes-  
sor Baly of Liverpool on the  
effects of the polarised light of the  
moon on the growth of seedlings  
and the maturation of plants.  
These, of course, are beneficial  
effects, but on the other hand, it  
is well known that polarised light  
reflected from the snow is serious-  
ly damaging to the eyesight of the  
St. Bernard dogs, so much so that  
it is feared that that variety of  
dogs may become extinct. It is  
not likely that the effect on human  
species in the East would be so  
serious, but we should be so  
pleased to hear of any reliable in-  
formation which can be gathered  
on the subject.

Face All Drawn

Dr. Winifred W. Boland  
(Newry, Co. Down) writes: I have  
just returned from a two years'  
stay in an up-country district in  
Bengal. I had my bed on a south-  
east corner of the verandah all the  
year round, except during the  
monsoons. The moon shone full  
on my face as it was not direct-  
ly overhead, which was very rare-  
ly. I suffered no ill effects, but  
a friend who stayed with me for  
four months always took care that  
the moon should not shine on her  
face, as she once got "moon-  
struck." Her husband woke her  
up because her face was all drawn  
on one side and continued so for  
a few hours after she was roused.  
I never met anyone else who  
was "moonstruck," but I did not  
make any serious inquiries.

"B. H. R." (Glasgow) writes:  
During three years' residence in  
Central Africa I found that moon-  
shine gave me a headache. I made  
it a practice in going out at night  
to put on a light pith helmet or  
double felt hat. I connected this  
harmful influence of the moon  
with what one reads of in the  
Psalms, "The sun shall not smite  
thee by day, nor the moon by  
night."

Very Disagreeable  
"G. A. C. G." writes: From per-  
sonal experience I can say that the  
direct rays of the moon on a sleep-  
er can be very disagreeable, if not  
actually harmful. In the Middle  
East such exposure caused night-  
aches. In the Far East these  
symptoms were accentuated and  
accompanied by a morning "thick  
head." Prevention entailed mov-  
ing the bed or closing the shut-  
ters.

"H. M. S." writes: There is a  
superstition in Burma that ex-  
posure of the face and head to  
moonlight while in bed has a  
baneful effect upon one's brain,  
meaning mental make-up. Per-  
haps this is evolved from the  
legend that mental storms in the  
insane correspond to phases of the  
moon.

Lady Phillimore, wife of the late  
Lord Phillimore, a former Lord  
Justice of Appeal, died at her home,  
Cam House, Campdenhill, Ken-  
sington, W., from pneumonia.

He would take into considera-  
tion the fact that accused had  
been in custody since March 16  
and sentence him to three weeks'  
imprisonment to commence from  
that date.—"P. & T. Times."

## TO-DAY'S RADIO

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The following programme will  
be broadcast to-day from the Gov-  
ernment Broadcasting Station  
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5.30-6.30 p.m.—Programme of  
Chinese Music.  
7.48 p.m.—Evening weather  
report.

8 p.m.—Evening Programme.  
"Destiny," Cziklo Grunberg.  
"Dreaming," Marek Weber.  
"Indian Love Call,"  
"By the Waters of Minnetonka,"  
Major Bowes Trio.  
"Poeme, Valse Boston,"  
"Serenade," Orchestra Mascotte.  
"Traviata," (Verdi),  
Edith Lorand Orchestra.  
"Try to Learn to Love,"  
"A Room With a View,"  
Piano Solo, Rale Da Costa.  
"Elegy," (Massenet),  
"Chant Hindou,"  
Ernest Leggett London Octet.  
"La Boheme," (Puccini),  
Edith Lorand Orchestra.  
"Valse Bleue,"  
Ernest Leggett London Octet.  
"Rigoletto," (Verdi),  
Soprano, Margherita Salvi.  
"The Druid's Prayer, Waltz,"  
"Choristers Waltz,"  
Frank Westfield's Orchestra.  
"Love's Dream,"  
"Murmurs of Spring,"  
Edith Lorand Orchestra.  
"Turkish March," (Beethoven),  
Violin Solo, Tossy Spiwakowsky.  
"Vienna Town,"  
"Autumn Melodies,"  
Edith Lorand Orchestra.  
"Norma," (Bellini),  
Edith Lorand Orchestra.  
"Hungarian Poems," (Hubay),  
Violin Solo, Edith Lorand.  
"Picador," One-step,  
"My Raggedy Rose," Blues,  
Kapelle Merton.  
10.10 p.m.—News bulletin.  
"Golf," The Radio Favourites,  
Clapham and Dwyer.  
"Maid of the Mountains,"  
(Fraser-Simpson),  
Frank Westfield's Orchestra.  
10.30 p.m.—Close down.



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 MISHIMA MARU ..... Monday, 6th May.  
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 RAKUYO MARU ..... Friday, 19th April.  
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| LONDON, HAMBURG, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP—Via Singapore, Colombo, Suez and Port Said.            |       |                              |
| AMUR MARU                                                                                   | ..... | Saturday, 11th May.          |
| RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & GENOAS AIRS—Via Saigon, Singapore, Colombo, Durban & Cape Town.    |       |                              |
| LAPLATA MARU                                                                                | ..... | Tuesday, 23rd April.         |
| SANTOS MARU                                                                                 | ..... | Friday, 17th May.            |
| BOMBAY—Via Singapore & Colombo.                                                             |       |                              |
| HONOLULU MARU                                                                               | ..... | Saturday, 4th May.           |
| SUMATRA MARU                                                                                | ..... | Sunday, 19th May.            |
| DURBAN, LOURENCO MARQUES, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR & MOMBASA—Via Singapore & Colombo. |       |                              |
| MEXICO MARU                                                                                 | ..... | Thursday, 2nd May.           |
| CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.                                                   |       |                              |
| BORNEO MARU                                                                                 | ..... | Wednesday, 24th April.       |
| SEATTLE MARU                                                                                | ..... | Thursday, 2nd May.           |
| KASADO MARU                                                                                 | ..... | Saturday, 18th May.          |
| VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Japan Ports                                       |       |                              |
| LONDON MARU (From Shanghai)                                                                 | ..... | Monday, 29th April.          |
| MELBOURNE—Via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.                                                    |       |                              |
| HIMALAYA MARU                                                                               | ..... | Wednesday, 8th May.          |
| BANGKOK—Via Saigon.                                                                         |       |                              |
| HAIPHONG—Via Hainan.                                                                        |       |                              |
| MENADO MARU                                                                                 | ..... | Thursday, 25th April 10 a.m. |
| NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.                                           |       |                              |
| ARGUN MARU                                                                                  | ..... | Sunday, 21st April.          |
| JAPAN PORTS.                                                                                |       |                              |
| ARGUN MARU                                                                                  | ..... | Sunday, 21st April.          |
| SANGHAI MARU                                                                                | ..... | Tuesday, 23rd April.         |
| NEELUNG—Via SWATOW & AMOY.                                                                  |       |                              |
| HOZAN MARU                                                                                  | ..... | Sunday, 21st April 3 a.m.    |
| CANTON MARU                                                                                 | ..... | Sunday, 28th April 3 p.m.    |
| TAKAO—Via SWATOW & AMOY.                                                                    |       |                              |
| DELI MARU                                                                                   | ..... | Thursday, 2nd May noon.      |
| TAKAO & KEELUNG.                                                                            |       |                              |
| BATAVIA MARU                                                                                | ..... | Sunday, 5th May.             |
| SANUKI MARU                                                                                 | ..... | Wednesday, 22nd May.         |
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## SHIPPING SECTION.

### U.S. SHIPPING

MORE VESSELS SOLD BY THE BOARD

#### BIG REDUCTION

Washington, Yesterday.  
The Shipping Board announces that bids will open on May 22 for the sale of the American Diamond Line, and the America-France Line. Their disposal, with the prospective sale of the American Republics Line, and the Gulf and Mediterranean Line, will leave the Board with only 162 vessels as compared with 2,536 at the end of the war—Reuter's American Service.

### LINER AGROUND

STRANDED OFF THE EDDYSTONE

London, Yesterday.  
The French liner "Paris" which left Havre for New York this morning, stranded in a fog off Eddystone Light-house.

Refloated.  
The liner "Paris" has been refloated and has proceeded on her voyage.

Another Account.  
The British Wireless message states: "The French liner 'Paris' (of 34,000 tons) ran on to the Eddystone Rock, a few yards from the famous Eddystone Lighthouse, in a fog this morning. She was on her way from Havre to Plymouth en route to New York."

Tugs hastily went to the scene but the tide, rising rapidly, the "Paris" was refloated and made for Plymouth under her own steam. She reached Plymouth in the middle of the afternoon instead of at 9 o'clock this morning. The passengers said there was no excitement or panic and that the crew displayed wonderful discipline.

### MARINERS WARNED

WELL-KNOWN MARKING ON COAST WITHDRAWN

Commander G. F. Hole, R.N. (retired), in a notification dated yesterday draws the attention of mariners to the following:  
"The White Conical buoy marking the Prosperine Rocks has been permanently withdrawn."

#### DAILY RETURN

The following are the nationality and numbers of vessels arrived in and departed from the Colony during the 24 hours ended 9 a.m. to-day—

| Arrived                            | Departed |
|------------------------------------|----------|
| British                            | 4        |
| Japanese                           | 1        |
| Norwegian                          | 2        |
| Chinese                            | 7        |
| Dutch                              | 1        |
| French                             | 0        |
| German                             | 1        |
| American                           | 1        |
| Portuguese                         | 1        |
| Total number of vessels in port is | 25       |

### MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS

The Ben Line s.s. "Benbow" from Middlesbrough, Dunirk, London and Straits is due to arrive here on April 25.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of France" from Hong Kong on April 10, left Yokohama on April 18 at 3 p.m. and is due at Vancouver on April 27.

Projected arrivals at and departures from Hong Kong of steamers under the management of the Bank Line Ltd. are as follows:

Arrivals at Hong Kong  
The s.s. "Glenbank" from New York via Panama, April 22.  
The s.s. "Comblbank" from New York via Panama, April 25.  
The s.s. "City of Newcastle" from New York via Suez, May 1.  
Departures from Hong Kong  
The s.s. "Glenbank" for Haiphong, April 26.  
The s.s. "Comblbank" for Shanghai and Chinwangtao, April 27.  
The s.s. "City of Delhi" for Singapore and U.K., May 9.

### RIVER STEAMERS

CHANGES IN THE PERSONNEL OF OFFICERS

Several changes in the personnel of the officers of steamers plying up the West River have been made.  
The "China Mail" understands from a reliable source that Mr. Patrick Sully, chief officer of the s.s. "Paul Beav", has resigned. As a result Mr. W. Dickson has filled the vacancy formed by the resignation of Mr. Sully.  
Mr. J. Wilson, until recently master of the s.s. "Cassum", is now the chief officer of the s.s. "On Lee". He has taken the position of Mr. Dickson.

### A NEW ARRIVAL

CHINESE VESSEL WITH CARGO OF RICE

A new arrival was registered yesterday when the s.s. "Donai", a Chinese vessel, entered under the command of Captain Kimanet.  
The "Donai" is a vessel of 376 gross tonnage, and has a cargo of 450 tons of rice to be discharged here.  
She has a crew of 43 Asiatics, and the name of her consignees are the Yuen Sing Fat S.S. Co.  
The vessel arrived from Saigon. As yet, it is uncertain whether she will be placed on the permanent run between Saigon and Hong Kong.

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### SHIPPING BREVITIES

Captain A. J. Hosken, R.N.R., master of the s.s. "Empress of Russia", in a report to the Harbour Master states that during the voyage from Vancouver and Shanghai to Hong Kong, one death occurred from tuberculosis. The "Empress of Russia" arrived yesterday.

Only one case was heard at the Marine Court this morning when two masters of cargo junks were brought before Commander G. F. Hole for mooring their crafts in such a manner as to cause an obstruction in the Central Fairway yesterday. Both accused pleaded guilty and were fined \$10 or 10 days' jail.

### CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

Consignees of cargo ex s.s. "City of Glasgow" are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after April 22.  
Consignees of cargo ex s.s. "Benbow" are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after April 25.

### AFRICAN HARBOURS

SUCCESSFUL OPERATIONS DURING PAST YEAR  
RAILWAYS PROSPEROUS

In general, the operation of this widespread and important system of railways during the year ending March 31, 1928, was satisfactory. The revenue earned amounted to £25,304,821 and the gross working expenditure to £20,200,008, this being the first year during which the revenue had exceeded the gross working expenditure. The net surplus was £5,104,813. The total earnings derived from working the harbours was £1,650,406 and the gross working expenditure £1,410,110, the net surplus being £240,296. As regards the contribution in reduction of interest-bearing capital and to pensions and other funds, the combined surplus of the two undertakings was £47,217. In view of these financial results, it is not surprising that the record train mileage of 47,683,756 was run, a figure no less than 2,036,131 train-miles in excess of that of 1926-27. The volume of both passenger and goods traffic also increased. The rolling-stock consisted of 2,932 steam locomotives, 3,607 coaching vehicles, 36,328 goods wagons and 95 electric units. The staff numbered 81,708, of whom 51,866 were Europeans. The mileage in operation was 13,103 miles.

A comparison of the above figures with those of 1927, which was the year immediately preceding the Union, shows that in the intervening period, the capital has increased by over 81 per cent., the mileage by the same amount, the staff by 106 per cent., the locomotives by 50 per cent., the coaching stock by 72 per cent., and the train mileage by 142 per cent. Passenger traffic has developed by 293 per cent., and coal traffic by 84 per cent.—a very interesting record of progress, says "Engineering."

Vessels and Cargo  
The results of operating the harbours are equally satisfactory. During the year, 5,550 vessels called at the various ports and landed cargo of 3,314,597 tons, both of which are record figures. There was an increase of over 500,000 tons in the volume of cargo (other than coal) shipped, this being largely attributable to the greater production of food-products and skins. On the other hand, the coal shipments fell off by 430,101 tons, a reduction which is attributed to increased competition and the growing number of oil-burning vessels. It may also help to explain the poor results obtained with the electrified lines operating in the coal area. Imports were valued at £67,482,751, an increase of £1,885,738 over the previous year, and largely consisted of machinery and motor vehicles. The value of the export trade was £24,133,797, an increase of £10,432,805 over 1926.

The South African railways now serve an area of 795,000 square miles, approximately half the area of the United Kingdom, and the network includes France, Germany, Switzerland, Belgium, Austria, Hungary, Holland, Norway and Sweden. The organisation has, therefore, been re-arranged so that there are nine separate systems, each of which is under the control of a manager, who is responsible directly to the general manager. Each manager has a civil engineer on his staff, as well as district engineers under him, as well as mechanical, operating and commercial officers. At headquarters there are two assistant general managers, who deal with technical and commercial matters respectively. The chief civil and mechanical engineers are also stationed at headquarters.

### G.W. DOCK CHARGES

South Wales traders are opposing certain clauses in the G.W.R., Parliamentary Bill, one of the main grounds of their objection being a proposal to standardise the dock charges of the docks at harbours the company controls—that is to say, the docks of the Bristol Channel. A deputation representing those traders is to see the Welsh M.P.s with a view to enlisting their support.

### VOYAGERS AND POOR

Pacific Steam Navigation Co. passengers on a recent Saturday evening, were once again the hosts at one of the League of Well-to-do's (Liverpool) "free food and fun" treats for poor "buddies." A passing entertainment being provided after the meal by the pupils of Madame Caritas.

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| EMPRESS OF FRANCE                                      | June 5                                            | June 8          | June 11        | June 15    | June 22        |                  |
| EMPRESS OF RUSSIA                                      | June 26                                           | June 29         | July 2         | July 4     | July 12        |                  |
| EMPRESS OF ASIA                                        | July 10                                           | July 13         | July 16        | July 18    | July 27        |                  |
| EMPRESS OF FRANCE                                      | July 31                                           | Aug. 3          | Aug. 6         | Aug. 8     | Aug. 17        |                  |
| EMPRESS OF RUSSIA                                      | Aug. 21                                           | Aug. 24         | Aug. 27        | Aug. 29    | Sept. 7        |                  |
| EMPRESS OF ASIA                                        | Sept. 4                                           | Sept. 7         | Sept. 10       | Sept. 12   | Sept. 21       |                  |
| EMPRESS OF FRANCE                                      | Sept. 25                                          | Sept. 28        | Oct. 1         | Oct. 3     | Oct. 12        |                  |
| EMPRESS OF RUSSIA                                      | Oct. 9                                            | Oct. 12         | Oct. 15        | Oct. 17    | Oct. 26        |                  |
| EMPRESS OF ASIA                                        | Oct. 30                                           | Nov. 2          | Nov. 5         | Nov. 7     | Nov. 16        |                  |
| EMPRESS OF CANADA                                      | Nov. 13                                           | Nov. 16         | Nov. 19        | Nov. 21    | Nov. 30        |                  |
| EMPRESS OF RUSSIA                                      | Nov. 27                                           | Nov. 30         | Dec. 3         | Dec. 5     | Dec. 14        |                  |

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### CREW'S RESCUE

AWARD TO CHIEF OFFICER

Mr. J. S. Campbell, chief officer of the Burma Oil Company's tanker "Aungban," of Rangoon, has been presented by Lord Provost Sir David Mason, on behalf of the President of the United States, with a binocular glass for gallant and humane services in rescuing the crew of the U.S. steamship "Homestead" off the coast of Madras in July, 1927.

In making the presentation, which took place in the Library of the City Chambers, Glasgow, the Lord Provost explained that the United States President had also presented Captain Reid, master of the ship, with a gold watch and chain for his services in connection with the rescue.

At the time of the rescue there was a very heavy monsoon, and high seas were being experienced. Until the "Aungban" reached Bombay the weather was terrific. The master, having picked up an S.O.S.

from the "Homestead," proceeded at the utmost speed and sighted the disabled vessel two and a half hours afterwards. She was in a critical position, with bows well submerged and stern high in the air. Towing commenced immediately, but little progress was made and it was eventually abandoned.

All hands were safely transferred to the "Aungban," and the "Homestead" when last seen was in a sinking condition.

After experiencing a rough two days' passage, the "Aungban" reached Bombay. On its poop deck the screens, stanchion rails, and other fittings went by the board, and one of the boats was lifted bodily and damaged, while the binocular was smashed.

The Lord Provost concluded by expressing hope that long might our country have such men as Captain Reid and chief officer Campbell in charge of British ships.

Mr. Campbell said, in reply, that the British crew of the tanker only did what any merchant ship crew would do, stand by another ship in distress.

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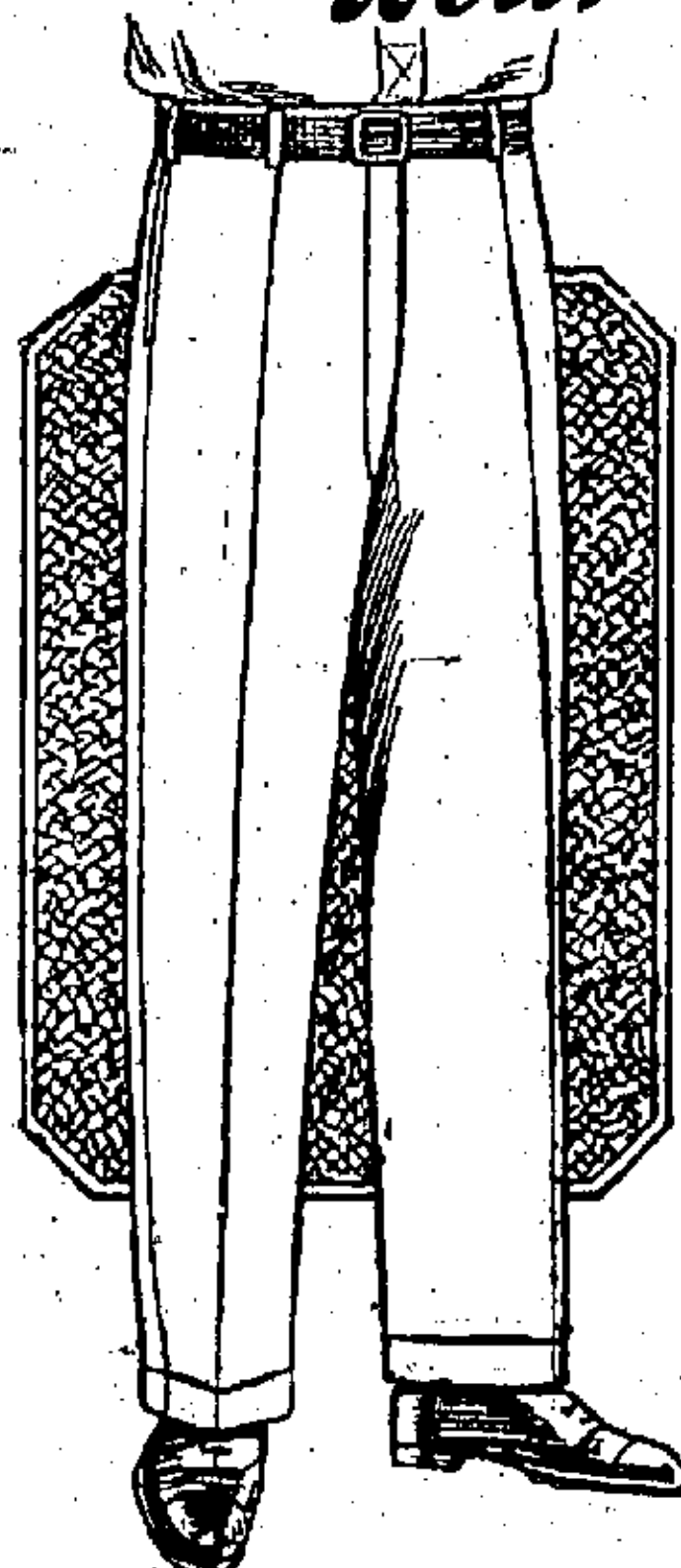
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Hong Kong knows a good comedy when it sees one and the "Star" Theatre in Kowloon was deservedly full last night when the Banvard English Co. presented Miles Malleon's London success, "The Fanatics." Just as fine a show is promised to-night in Ben Travers's "Rookery Nook."

Much of "The Fanatics" belongs to the quick-changing era of the Great War. Undoubtedly it is a daring production with outspoken passages. A son is ardently in love and his sister knows nothing of love. Between them they cause a number of piquant situations in the family. The question of trial marriages is brought up, and there is the bedroom scene which, for some reason or other, has been a prominent feature of subsequent London productions.

Kathleen Vaughan and Elana Aherne have the honours in the leading feminine roles; and Ormiston Miller comes out well as John Freeman.

**WHITE MAN'S WORD**

INDIAN SERGEANT'S DISGRACEFUL RECORD

ABSENT WITHOUT LEAVE

The case against Barkat Ali, an Indian Police Sergeant attached to the Kowloon Water Works Sub-Station, was resumed yesterday at the Kowloon Magistracy, before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith.

It will be remembered that accused was originally charged on three counts—absent from Station, absent from duty without leave, drunk while in uniform.

At the previous hearing, his Worship told Mr. L. H. C. Calthrop, A.S.P. (Kowloon) that he did not think he could take the charges cumulatively, and directed him to consult his legal adviser. His Worship suggested that the case could be dealt with departmentally.

When the case was resumed yesterday, Mr. H. J. Armstrong appeared for the defence. Mr. Calthrop said that he had consulted the Assistant Crown Attorney and had been advised to withdraw two of the charges. He would proceed with the charge of being absent from duty.

Sub-Inspector Munro, cross-examined by Mr. Armstrong, maintained that he and Sergt. Brittain saw accused in Nathan-road at 5.50 on April 10, and that if the latter had actually signed on for duty at 10.30 a.m., he must have returned to the Works by motor car.

An Indian guard called by the prosecution stated that he saw accused at 9.15 a.m., 10.30 a.m., and again at 11.30 a.m. at the Water Works.

Mr. Calthrop commenced to ask the witness if he had not made a different statement at the Police Station, when his Worship intervened and asked Mr. Calthrop if he was treating the guard as a hostile witness. Mr. Calthrop replied that he felt inclined to because witness was not saying what he stated at the Station.

Mr. Armstrong submitted that he had no case to answer. He contended that both Sub-Insps. Munro and Sergt. Brittain must have seen the wrong person at Nathan-road.

His Worship said that he could not believe that both European officers had such bad eyesight as to mistake another man for accused.

Mr. Armstrong: It is a case of a white man's word against a black man's word, not at all.

A Complete Denial  
Accused then went into the box and his statement was a complete denial. He said that he had been in the Force for 15 years and had had a good record.

Mr. Calthrop smilingly said that if the accused was calling evidence of character he was willing to oblige. His record was disgraceful.

In answer to Mr. Armstrong, Mr. Calthrop said that accused would not receive further punishment in addition to what his Worship might impose. The other two charges would only be dealt with departmentally.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$30.

It frequently happens during the summer season that winter clothes are very much damaged by the activities of moths. Customers of the Steam Laundry Company will be interested to learn that these need no longer entertain any anxiety in this connection. During the month of May the Steam Laundry Company are issuing "Sanitex" moth proof bags, adapted to all customers sending suits for dry cleaning or blankets for special washing.

**Smiles From Court**

FASHION IN BELT—NEW-COMER BUT NOT UNKNOWN TO THE JAIL—WANTED A WEAPON—ABSENT-MINDED OFFICE COOLIE.

On board the s.s. "Bangkok Maru" yesterday, whilst she was lying alongside the Kowloon Wharf, a gaunt figure could be seen strolling to and fro on the aft deck. He suddenly stopped and looked at the horizon, apparently contemplating the fact that a life on the rolling waves was better than a humdrum existence on shore.

Li Hong, such was the name that the gentleman went by, was not clad in the customary white flannel trousers, a blue coat and with a peak cap to adorn his head. No; he wore nothing to show that he belonged to the ship, and it was this fact that made a Chinese detective cast furtive glances at him.

The sleuth edged his way nearer to Li Hong, and to his great astonishment he saw that it had once belonged to a travelling menagerie and had apparently broken loose from his keeper. For was not there the end of a chain dangling from Li's waist? The detective rubbed his eyes to make sure that it was not a mirage that he saw. After having satisfied himself that Li was made of flesh and blood like himself, the detective approached his quarry.

"Well, my good man, I see you are setting a fashion in this part of the world in regard to belts. It is a jolly good innovation to have a belt made out of a chain, don't you think so, eh?"

"You see, it is this way," enthusiastically replied Li Hong. "I came on board to do a piece of job, and while I was bending down, my girdle snapped, as they always do at the wrong moment. You can imagine my embarrassment, countryman. You know it wouldn't do to play fast and loose with one's trousers specially on board a liner like this, and when so many charming ladies are about. I therefore snatched up the first thing I could lay hands on to keep my pants in order. It happened to be a chain, as you see it here, and although it gnaws into my most tender flesh, I have to put up with it until I can find something else."

Can you offer me a cord in exchange for this chain," was the excellent excuse offered by Li.

"You are a genius," said the detective, "but why should you be so foolish as to allow one end to dangle about in this way?"

"I am very fastidious, you know, and I always like to have a tassel to my girdle. In the absence of a proper tassel, I made the end of the chain to do duty," promptly came the reply from Li.

The detective scratched his bald pate with one hand and with the other he stroked his beardless chin. After mature consideration, he said, "You know, my friend, the Kowloon Magistrate, Mr. Whyte-Smith, is his name—is very fond of hearing a good yarn. Suppose you come along with me and tell the story to him to-morrow, eh?"

"Not necessary," said Li. "I can write him a letter."

"No, that won't do. He hates reading a lengthy letter. Better come along with me," said the detective.

Well, Li Hong told his story to Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. His Worship listened to it with exemplary patience, and then gave Li two months' time to think of a better one. While Li will be thinking of a better story, he will be also made to do some hard labour to reduce his waist.

A Newcomer.  
His Worship (wearily): Next case, please.

Inspector James: This accused is charged with chopping trees belonging to the Government, your Worship.

His Worship: Explain the charge to him, Mr. Interpreter. The Interpreter (after explaining the charge): He said that he did not know the law, your Worship. He claims to be a newcomer to the Colony.

His Worship: They all seem to be newcomers and do not know the laws.

Insp. James: In this case, your Worship, although accused claims to be a newcomer, the Gaol Authorities will say that they know him. He has had one previous conviction for the same offence, your Worship.

His Worship (brightening up): Oh, that's interesting. Ask him, Mr. Interpreter, what has he to say to that now.

The Accused (with a downward glance): Yes, that's true. I was in jail once.

His Worship: All right, three months' hard labour. Next case, please.

Absent-Mindedness  
"I did not steal that rotten ruler," loudly yelled out an office boy in the employment of the

China Light and Power Co.; I only took it home to measure something.

"This man was engaged as an office coolie," said Mr. W. J. Brown, of the China Light and Power Co., and he stole the ruler which was lying on a desk."

Accused reiterated that he had only borrowed it and that he had forgotten to return it.

His Worship: What made you forget?

Accused: Simply absent-mindedness, on my part, Sir.

His Worship: I think if \$10 is taken out of your pocket, you will remember better next time. However, if you have no money you can serve ten days at the Victoria Gaol.

An Iron Rail  
He wanted an iron rail, and when Lau Sam wants a thing, he does not allow the grass to grow under his feet. He went out at once yesterday to get the much coveted rail. He walked for miles until he came to the No. 3 Railway Bridge.

"Ha," he said to himself, "look, there are rails and rails for me to choose. How simple," and, without much ado, he wrenched one out from the railing on the side of the bridge.

Nemesis, however, dodged his footsteps, with the result that he was ushered before Mr. Whyte-Smith this morning.

Remarking that accused was a dangerous man, his Worship decided to put him in safe custody for two months.

**BRITISH LEGION**

CONCENTRATION ON POPPY FUND

LOCAL EFFORTS

Last evening the annual meeting of the British Legion (Hong Kong Branch) was held in the board room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd., under the chairmanship of Mr. G. K. Hall, President.

The Chairman mentioned that the sum expended on relief work during the year amounted to \$2,605.50. Nine cases were assisted in all. Apart from this \$500 was donated to the Poppy Day Fund. The two main sources of income were the donation from the Jockey Club and interest from the late Sir Paul Chater's fund.

Subscriptions seemed to be gradually falling off. He suggested that members should be rounded up and have their subscriptions paid. It was mentioned that there were 110 members but of these only 65 had paid.

The primary object of the British Legion was to offer assistance to men locally and the main object now was apparently the Poppy Day fund so it was needed to keep the British Legion going for that purpose.

During the past five years over \$10,000 had been collected in Hong Kong alone on behalf of the Poppy Day fund. (Applause).

New President  
Mr. F. W. James was unanimously elected President for the ensuing year. Mr. R. K. Hepburn was elected Hon. Secretary. The committee was re-elected en bloc. It was decided to have a representation on parade on the arrival of H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester.

**NAVY LEAGUE**

MEETING OF LOCAL BRANCH TO-DAY

A PATRIOTIC ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of the Hong Kong branch of the Navy League is being held in the board room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd., this evening at 5.30. It is hoped that there will be a large attendance of members and supporters.

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**BRITAIN AND HER WAR DEBTS**

In yesterday's "China Mail" we published, under the above heading, a long telegram from Reuters' Agency and the British Official Wireless Service of the apparently animated scenes that followed closely on Mr. Philip Snowden's comments with reference to the British war debts. We imagine that Mr. Snowden, when he mentioned the matter, little dreamt that he was bringing a hornet's nest about his unoffending head. As a former Chancellor of the Exchequer—(Mr. Snowden was in office in the short-lived Labour Government of 1924)—he was, of course, bound to have something to say during the course of the Budget debate which was in progress; but in saying what he said as to the settlement of the debts with certain of Great Britain's allies, he was by no means saying something novel, nor did he think he was doing so. As Mr. Snowden later explained he had frequently made similar statements in the House of Commons and practically no notice had been taken of them.

Very naturally, he was surprised that the Government should fasten upon them on the present occasion, and insist upon them being regarded as a definitely fixed "plank" of the Labour Party's programme, especially in the event of their being returned to office. One cannot help concluding that Mr. Snowden expressed himself very naturally when he said that he was surprised that any observations of his should be the subject of Cabinet discussion and a Cabinet memorandum presented to that House.

We are of opinion that had Mr. Snowden kept in mind that they were on the eve of a General Election and that even the great and dignified Conservative Party are not above making use of a bit of political propaganda or, as some might regard it, persiflage, even though in doing so the Conservatives may be regarded as stretching the matter too far even for political veracity, he would have had a clearer conception of the situation. But on the eve of an election politicians are not always so nice in their tactics as they perhaps ought to be.

Be that as it may we fancy that not a few observers of Britain's political affairs will hesitate to conclude that the Government in bringing Mr. Snowden's comment so conspicuously to the front are doing so much more for electioneering purposes than for any other reason. It is very refreshing to find that what is practically the only logical deduction of this "little flutter" is that the Labour Party—which, as Mr. Snowden reminded his hearers, is not infrequently referred to as the Party more friendly with every country save their own—should in the light of Mr. Snowden's spirited statement appear to be the most patriotic. Surely it is patriotic to wish that one's country should not be trammelled unduly with the incubus of an enormous debt and that means should and ought to be devised—no matter what has already transpired—to bring about a modification. To abide by agreements is almost invariably essential; but, surely modern agreements are not such as were those of the ancient Medes and Persians!

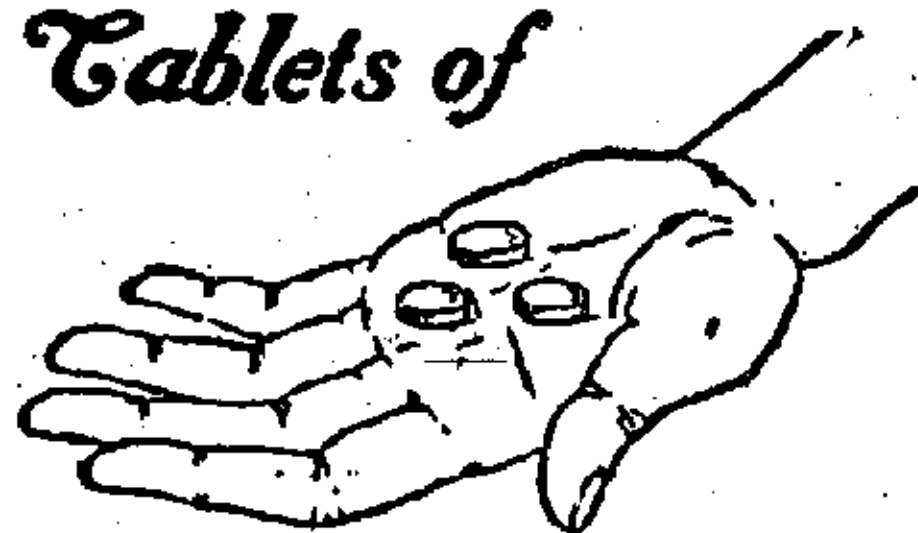
This age is reaching out towards the perfect Principle of things; is pushing towards perfection in art, invention, and manufacture. It will never do to be behind the times in things most essential, which proceed from the standard of right that regulates human destiny. Human skill but foreshadows what is next to appear as its divine origin.—Mary Baker Eddy.

Notice has been given to the Registrar of Marriages of the forthcoming marriage of Mr. C. F. Andrews, warder, Lanchester Prison, whose address is at the European Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, to Miss F. M. Murray, No. 4, Cambridge-buildings, Kowloon.

Yesterday Mr. E. W. Hamilton dismissed charges brought by the Import and Export Department against two Chinese firms for using old revenue labels with the intention of avoiding payment of duty.

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## FRENCH STAMPS

PROCURED FOR HUNGARIAN BONDS

## 27 PERSONS TRIED

Paris, Yesterday. Twenty-seven persons have been tried in the Correctional Court for illicitly procuring Government stamps for 100,000 Hungarian Bonds, thus giving them a greater immediate value and preferential treatment under the Reparations scheme.

A Viennese Banker Josef Blumenstein, a French Consul, Lacaze, and nine others were sentenced to two years' imprisonment and fined 3,000 francs, four others were sentenced to a year's imprisonment and a fine of 1,000 francs; two to eight months' imprisonment with the benefit of the First Offenders Act; and ten were acquitted.—Reuter.

## "DON'T LOAD IT"

REVOLVER &amp; AMMUNITION IN COURT

## APRIL CRIMINAL SESSIONS

"Don't load it," enjoined his Honour the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Wood) in the April Criminal Sessions yesterday when dealing with a revolver and ammunition. He asked if the rounds fitted the weapon, and Mr. Somerset Fitzroy (Assistant Attorney-General) inserted the ammunition into the chambers. On his Lordship making the enjoiner, Mr. Fitzroy replied: "I don't propose to."

Prisoner in this case was Chan Kin-shun, on whose behalf Mr. Leong Hing-kee of the Metropole Hotel gave evidence of character. Prisoner was employed in the hotel as "boy." He was defended by Mr. Hin-shing Lo (instructed by Mr. A. E. Hall).

His Lordship expressed agreement with the jury's verdict of guilty on an indictment of possession of the arms.

## Sentence Deferred

Yau Ngan pleaded "guilty" to robbery by two or more on Wong-nai-chong Gap-road on January 8, the victim being a woman.

Lo Man, the "No. 3" of four prisoners charged yesterday was convicted of receiving stolen property but not of robbery. The other three of the four had previously pleaded guilty to robbery.

His Lordship, as in cases heard earlier yesterday, reserved sentence until 10.15 a.m. on Wednesday.

## MISSING AT SEA

MR. R. J. FARQUHARSON, F.M.S. POLICE

FORMERLY OF HONG KONG

A wireless message received on April 10 by the Commissioner of Police, Federated Malay States, from the master of the P. & O. s.s. "Khyber" read:

"R. J. Farquharson, Railway Police, disappeared during night. Please communicate next of kin."

Mr. Farquharson, who was proceeding on eight months' Home leave on board the s.s. "Khyber," was 43 years of age. He had been in the Dumbartonshire constabulary prior to coming out East in 1907 to join the Hong Kong Police in April of that year.

He joined the F.M.S. Police force on April 10, 1910, as an Inspector, and in 1925 received the appointment of Chief Inspector, F.M.S., and became O.C.P.D., Kuala Lumpur. Further promotion came to him the following year, when he was gazetted Assistant Commissioner of Police and was placed in charge of the Railway Police, which post he held until proceeding on leave on the "Khyber."

## AIR MAIL

NOT YET AVAILABLE FOR MALAYA

The Secretary for Postal Affairs, S.S. and F.M.S., regrets to announce that the air mail service between Great Britain and India which was inaugurated on March 30, is not yet available for the transmission of mails between Great Britain and Malaya or vice versa. Provisional arrangements had been made for the dispatch of an air mail for London from Penang every Saturday, via Calcutta and Karachi.

A telegram has, however, been received from the Indian Post Office to the effect that the proposed service via Calcutta would not connect with the westbound aeroplanes at Karachi, and that the British Post Office is not yet able to accept correspondence for transmission by Air to or from countries beyond India.

The position is being carefully watched, and as soon as a service can be offered to the public a further announcement will be made.

## MANSION HOUSE

DISCOVERY OF CRACKS IN STATE DRAWING-ROOM

## CORPORATION ACTION

Cracks, which, though not alarming, are serious enough to be taken official notice of, in view of what has happened to other buildings in the neighbourhood, have been found in one of the State drawing-rooms at the Mansion House. Some of them are horizontal, but the two principal ones are perpendicular, and extend from the ceiling to the floor, a distance of about 17ft.

They are on the inner wall, which forms part of the wall of the saloon, and is of considerable thickness. There are minor cracks in other parts of the room, and within a few score feet of the great building, which is being erected at the corner of Prince's-street, and for which foundations of great depth are being dug. So far as a representative of "The Daily Telegraph" was able to discover, no cracks were observable in any other part of the building between the drawing-room and the front portico. In this area is the rear staircase, the justice-room, and the chief clerk's office, which have windows facing north and south-east.

## "Tell-Tale" Instruments

The City Corporation at its meeting unanimously adopted a resolution of the City Lands Committee for authority to retain the services of Messrs. Mott, Hay, and Anderson, the consulting engineers, to take periodic levels to ascertain whether any movement was taking place in the building.

Mr. Alderman Phene Neal stated that the matter was one of urgency. Mr. J. H. White, chairman of the committee, said the proposal to engage an eminent firm of consulting engineers was simply a precautionary measure for the stability of the Mansion House. A number of "tell-tale" devices would be placed in various parts of the building, and these would show any movements or sinking of the structure. In view of the tremendous excavations that were taking place in the immediate neighbourhood, and of the fact that a number of buildings had subsided, it was essential that the committee should take every care to prevent anything happening to the Mansion House.

Sir Banister Fletcher said that the problem was not an engineering, but an architectural one, and what was wanted was a man who had a knowledge of London and its water courses. The old Walbrook stream ran by the side of the Mansion House, and that fact was well known to the City Architect and Surveyor and to the City Engineer.

Mr. Walter Fortescue said that within a few hundred yards of the Mansion House great holes of 60ft. and 70ft. had been dug, and water had been withdrawn from the soil. That fact rendered it necessary for the committee to take every precautionary measure.

Redecoration. At the same meeting the General Purposes and the Coal and Corn and Finance Committees were instructed to prepare a comprehensive scheme for the rearrangement, redecoration, refurnishing, and re-lighting of the interior of the Mansion House.

Mr. H. S. Syrett said the Corporation should make the interior of the Lord Mayor's official residence a credit to the occupant and to the Corporation.

## WESTMINSTER CITY

£40,000 MORE FOR ROADS

There is an increase of £52,507 over the previous year in the estimate of £635,126 expenditure for the year ending March 31, 1930, adopted by the Westminster City Council. The chairman of the finance committee, Alderman Hillersdon, stated that this was for expenditure under their direct control.

The Local Government Bill, he said, would affect them a great deal, and he hoped it would tend to improve the conditions of the poor and relieve unemployment. It must mean additional cost to Westminster, and the committee should be as economical as they could. The Works Committee's increase of £45,000 was the largest, and that was chiefly due to £40,000 for unclassified roads. The Council had spent about £750,000 on housing schemes.

Councillor H. J. Greenwood, ex-chairman of the Finance Committee, said that the Westminster Council housing work was a wonderful achievement. Already they had spent £229,000, and practically £100,000 of that was provided in the last two years entirely out of revenue. By reason of Westminster's rateable value they also contributed to the county rate on housing between £60,000 and £70,000 a year.

Westminster Hospital has received anonymous gift of £2,000 towards building laboratories for the Radium Annex to be opened shortly.

## AFGHANISTAN

PROMISE OF HONOURABLE PARDON

## TO SAVE THE COUNTRY

Peshawar, Yesterday. In view of the heavy fighting Nadirhan has written to Habibullah, "as one Muslim brother to another," assuring him of a full and honourable pardon if Amanullah or any other member of the Royal Family returned to the Throne, providing that Habibullah avoids involving the country in disaster and loss of life and property.—Reuter.

## "DESERT FLOWER"

FAMOUS SCREEN FLAPPER IN NEW ROLE

## DRAWS CROWDED HOUSES

Colleen Moore was never more delightful than she is revealed this week at the Majestic Theatre, Kowloon, in her latest First National attraction, "The Desert Flower."

The picture, an adaptation of the stage offering of the same name, recently presented in New York by Al Woods, teems with the action and colour of Western life. It presents Miss Moore in the pathetically poignant guise of little Maggie Fortune, step-daughter of a brute of a step-father, section boss of a railroad construction gang on the desert, and whose inherent instincts for the better things of life seek to find expression through a baby sister, whom she sends away to enjoy the refinements of a real home and education, while she herself goes into a mining camp dance hall to provide the wherewithal of it all.

The houses yesterday at the Majestic were all crowded. The picture is on today's programme also.

## WOMAN AND WILL

STATEMENT BY MISS NORA DELANEY

## COUNTRY-HOUSE OWNERSHIP

The mystery in connection with the will of Sir William Maxwell, the war correspondent, who died last December has deepened. It has been stated that Sir William's nieces, the Misses Margaret and Elsie Stevenson, two Brighton typists, are heiresses to a considerable fortune under the will and that their mother—Sir William's sister—Mrs. Stevenson, a widow, inherits the residue of the fortune. His house, Longfield, Wraybury, Buckinghamshire, it was stated, goes to Miss Nora Delaney, the actress.

As much as £10,000 a year has been mentioned by friends as the amount of the bequest to the nieces, but this statement has apparently not been put forward by the legates or solicitors. In fact its origin is a mystery.

"Offensive Words." An application was made in the Probate Court by Mrs. Stevenson as residuary legatee to have "certain offensive words" expunged from the will. Mr. Justice Hill said that he could not expunge the words, but they would be expunged from the probate of the will and all copies issued from the registry.

Miss Nora Delaney, comedienne, who is appearing in Liverpool, said to a reporter recently concerning the will:

The house and grounds of Longfield should never have been mentioned in the will at all. Sir William made over Longfield to me four years ago in settlement for money owing to me. Furthermore his qualifying shares in the International Paint Company, Ltd., of which he was managing director, were purchased with my financial assistance and held in trust for me by him.

I would like to say that the statements about Sir William's great wealth are entirely without foundation. As far as I know, during all the time I knew him, he was not a rich man, and I shall be very surprised to hear officially that he ever was.

Director of Four Companies. Sir William Maxwell, according to the Director of Directors, was chairman of the Goodson Gramophone Record Company, Ltd., the International Paint and Composition Company, Ltd., and Kalahari Diamonds, Ltd., and a director of the Standard Anti-fouling Composition and Paint Company, Ltd.

Mr. E. E. Chambers has gone to Kuala Lumpur from Penang to succeed Mr. J. Macdonald as manager of the Chartered Bank. Mr. Chambers had been president of the Penang Turf Club for several years.

A short-wave wireless station has been installed at Kiangnan, at a cost of \$7,000. It is to begin operating shortly.

## SHADOWS BEFORE.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL"

## ENTERTAINMENTS

To-day—Queen's Theatre; "The Rescued"—World Theatre; "Under the Eagle"—Theatre; To-day—Star Theatre; "Good Morning, Judge"—Theatre; To-day—Majestic Theatre; "The Desert Flower."

To-day—Star Theatre; W. R. Bayard's English Comedy Co. in "Rookery Nook."

Home Mails. To-morrow—Outward for Africa and Europe via Marseilles (Karmala) 10.30 a.m. (Kitano Maru) 9.30 a.m. Europe via Vancouver (Talthybius) 10 a.m.

To-morrow—Inward from U.S.A. and Europe via Siberia, (Pres. Wilson). Lammerts' Auctions. To-day—At Sales Room, Postage stamps, 5.15 p.m.

April 20—At Sales Room, Duddell-st., 5 wardrobe trunks (new), 11 a.m.

April 23—At 17, Jordan-rd., (1st floor) Kowloon, household furniture, 11 a.m.

April 24—At Sales Room, household and blackwood furniture, etc., 2.30 p.m.

Land Sale. April 22—At P.W.D. Offices, two lots of Crown land at Cheung Sha Wan and Shamshuipo, respectively, 3 p.m.

Sports. April 20—Closing Cruise of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club.

April 21—Fanning Hunt Spring meeting.

April 27—Fourth extra race meeting of the H.K. Jockey Club, at Happy Valley.

Meetings. To-day—Annual meeting of the Navy League. Messrs. Jardine, Matheson's offices, 5.30 p.m.

To-day—General Meeting of members of H.K. General Chamber of Commerce to nominate a member for the Legislative Council, 4.15 p.m.

April 24—Extraordinary meeting of United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd., Messrs. Dodwell & Co.'s offices, 11 a.m.

April 25—Annual meeting of Gande, Price & Co., Ltd., 2, Lee House-st., noon.

April 29—Meeting of Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd., P. & O. Bldg., 11 a.m.

May 10—Further meeting of United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd., Messrs. Dodwell & Co.'s offices, 11 a.m.

Miscellaneous. April 20—Ninth annual dinner of Queen's College Old Boys' Assn., College Hall, 8 p.m.

April 20—Dinner of Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club members at Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 8 p.m.

April 25—Parade of ex-service men at Queen's Pier in honour of H.R.H. The Duke of Gloucester, 11.56 a.m.

May 1—Spring Festival at Quarry Bay School, 11 a.m.

May 2—Bridge party at Taikeo Club in aid of H.K.W.G. & M.C.L.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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## NOTICE.

HONG KONG & KOWLOON WATER SUPPLY.

THE QUANTITY OF WATER in the Storage Reservoirs has fallen so low that further restrictive measures are under consideration, and should an adequate rainfall not occur before the end of April the Water Supply in HONG KONG and KOWLOON will be CUT OFF daily between the hours of 6 p.m. and 6 a.m. from the 1st May.

The most rigid economy in the consumption of water is now essential, and the co-operation of the public in preventing waste is again earnestly requested.

HAROLD T. CREASY, Water Authority, Public Works Department, Hong Kong, 19th April, 1929.

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## VOLUNTEER CORPS

### VISIT OF THE DUKE OF GLOUCESTER

#### CEREMONIAL PARADE

Orders by Lieut.-Colonel L. G. Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E., Commandant. Ceremonial Parade.—All ranks who have volunteered to represent the Corps on the occasion of the landing of H.R.H. The Duke of Gloucester in the Colony will parade at Corps Headquarters on Monday, fall in 6 p.m. sharp. Dress: Review order.

No man not attending the above parade will be allowed to represent the Corps on Thursday, April 25.

Thursday, April 25. Parade on the Cricket Ground at 10 a.m. Dress: Review order.

Musketry.—The Scottish Company will fire Table "T" at Stonecutters Range on Sunday, Range Officer: 2/Lieut. H. R. Forsyth.

Launch will leave Queen's Pier at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m.

Dress: Musketry order, i.e. rifle, belt, bayonet, braces and pouches. Uniform or mufti optional.

Arms will be drawn from Corps Headquarters to-day, between 9 a.m.



General Mariaux, head of the Museum des Invalides and Vice-President of the Friendly Relations Committee of the Croix de Guerre Association.

and 12 noon, 2 and 4 p.m., or 5 and 6 p.m. and to-morrow between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

#### Corps Band

The Band will parade as strong as possible at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, at Headquarters, dress mufti.

#### Engineer Co.

The attention of all ranks is drawn to Corps Order No. 1.

#### Mounted Infantry Co.

Friday, April 26. All ranks will parade at Causeway Bay Stables at 5.30 p.m. for mounted drill.

#### Machine Gun Co.

The attention of all ranks of the Company is drawn to these Corps Orders Para. 1 regarding full dress rehearsal parade on Monday, for arrival of the Duke of Gloucester.

#### Scottish Co.

There will be no parades on Thursday, April 25.

Musketry: Attention of all ranks is drawn to to-day's Corps orders, para. 2. This is the last opportunity for members of the Scottish Company to fire Table "T" for the Training Season 1929-1930. Range Officer: 2/Lieut. H. R. Forsyth.

#### Portuguese Co.

Attention of all ranks is drawn to Corps Order No. 1. Ceremonial Parade.

Part I. Musketry. All those of the Company who have not yet fired Part I. Musketry this Season, are reminded that Sunday, April 28, is the day allotted to the Company, to do so, also the time of the launches is half hour earlier, i.e. launch will leave Queen's Pier at 8.30 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at 8.40 a.m. Range Officer: 2/Lieut. J. S. Rodrigues.

N.C.O.'s. Parade to-day. All N.C.O.'s. are reminded that they are expected to be on parade at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m.

#### Parades.

There will be no parades on Friday, April 26.

#### Strength

The following recruits have been taken on the strength and posted as under:

No. 1466 Pte. W. C. K. Mackie, No. 6 Platoon, as from 13.4.29.  
No. 1467 Pte. G. C. Moss, No. 4 Section, M. G. Co., as from 16.4.29.

#### Promotion

No. 1370 Pte. J. Murray, Reserve Company is promoted to Lance Sergeant, as from 16.4.29.

#### Long Service Medal

His Excellency The Governor has awarded the Colonial Auxiliary Forces Long Service Medal to Captain A. M. Thornhill, Reserve Company, H.K.V.D.C. on April 10.

#### Leave

No. 699 Spr. C. Strange, Engineer Company, having returned from leave, rejoined for duty on 16.3.29.

No. 865 Pte. J. H. Gelling, Re-

## MONEY AND SHARES

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Bank, on demand ..... 1/11 9/16  
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#### On Berlin—

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#### On New York—

On demand ..... 47 1/2  
Credits, 60 days' sight ..... 49 1/2

#### On Bombay—

Wire ..... 131  
On demand ..... 131

#### On Calcutta—

Wire ..... 131  
On demand ..... 131

#### On Singapore—

On demand ..... 84 1/2  
On Manila—

#### On Shanghai—

On demand ..... 78 1/2  
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On demand ..... 107 1/2  
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### LONDON EXCHANGES.

London, Yesterday.  
Paris ..... 124.25  
New York ..... 4.85 13/32  
Brussels ..... 34.955  
Geneva ..... 25.215  
Amsterdam ..... 12.087 1/2  
Milan ..... 92.70  
Berlin ..... 20.475  
Stockholm ..... 18.17  
Copenhagen ..... 18.21  
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Rio ..... 5 57/64  
Buenos Aires ..... 47 5/16  
Bombay ..... 1/5 29/32  
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Hong Kong ..... 1/11 1/2  
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serve Company having returned from leave, rejoined for duty on 17.4.29.

No. 540 Pte. W. Beveridge, Armoured Car Section, from 23.3.29, to 22.9.29.

No. 1187 Sigm. C. J. Waddell, Signals, from 27.4.29, to 26.4.30.

Lieut. S. Jarvis, M.C., Portuguese Company, from 11.5.29, to 15.1.30.

No. 1362 Pte. G. A. V. Hall, No. 3 Section, from 15.4.29, to 30.4.29.

No. 411 C.S.M. R.W. Lee-Jones, Reserve Company, from 4.5.29, to 31.1.30.

No. 727 Sergt. W. H. Owen, Engineer Company, from 15.5.29, to 14.3.30.

#### Marksmen

The undermentioned have qualified as marksmen for Training Season 1929/30 and are entitled to wear the badge for one year:

No. 1094 L/Sergt. A. Urquhart, No. 3 Section, 97 Points.

No. 1843 Pte. V. W. L. Stanion, No. 1 Section, 91 Points.

#### Struck off the Strength

Having left the Colony:  
No. 413 L/Sergt. G. H. Sellwood, Reserve Company, as from 16.2.29.

No. 673 Pte. J. J. Spradbery, Reserve Company, as from 31.12.28.

No. 458 L/Sergt. R. W. Lee, Armoured Car Section, as from 23.2.29.

Having claimed their discharge on completion of three years' service or over:

No. 154 Pte. E. W. Carpenter, Reserve Company, as from 23.2.29.

No. 923 Sigm. A. H. Ismail, Signals, as from 21.3.29.

No. 964 L/Cpl. E. M. Franco, No. 9 Platoon, as from 25.3.29.

No. 885 Pte. M. K. Lo, Reserve Company, as from 18.2.29.

No. 886 Pte. M. W. Lo, Reserve Company, as from 18.2.29.

No. 707 Pte. E. M. H. Hanlon, No. 7 Platoon, as from 8.4.29.

#### R. A. Wolfe Murray, Major,

Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C.

#### Notice

Smoking Concert and Dinner, Friday, May 10. The Annual Corps Smoking Concert and distribution of Corps Trophies and Musketry prizes will take place at Volunteer Headquarters on above date.

Major-General J. W. Seadlands, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., has kindly consented to present the prizes.

A dinner will precede the prize giving. Full details will be issued later.

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T.T. on Shanghai ..... 79

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P. & O. Bank ..... \$94 n  
Bank of East Asia ..... \$90 1/2 n

### Insurances

Canton Insurance ..... \$695 b  
Union Insurance ..... \$378 s  
North China Insurance ..... \$160 b

Yangtze Insurance ..... \$150 n  
China Underwriters ..... \$2.20 s  
China Fire Insurance ..... \$290 b

H.K. Fire Insurance ..... \$765 b

### Shipping

Douglases ..... \$36 s  
H.K. Steamboats ..... \$24 1/4 s  
H.K. Tugs & Lighters ..... \$2.40 n

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Indo-China (Def.) ..... \$70 n  
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Shell Transports (new) ..... \$22 1/2 n  
Union Water-boats ..... \$22 1/2 n

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Kailan Mining Ad. .... \$66/- n

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Langkats (singles) ..... \$7 1/2 n  
Shanghai Explorations ..... \$2.90 s

Shanghai Loans ..... \$4 1/2 n  
Raubas ..... \$6.65 n  
Tronoh Mines ..... \$17/6 n

Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.  
H.K. & K. Wharves ..... \$123 b  
H.K. & W. Docks ..... \$36 s 35 sa

China Providents ..... \$4.65 n  
Hongkew ..... \$1178 b  
New Engineerings ..... \$5.60 b

Shanghai Docks ..... \$126 b 123 s

### Cotton Mills

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Oriental Cottons ..... \$1.90 b

Shanghai Cottons (old) ..... \$73 1/2 b  
Shanghai Cottons (new) ..... \$73 1/2 b

Lands, Hotels & Buildings  
H.K. & S. Hotels ..... \$3.80 n  
H.K. Lands ..... \$60 b & sa 60 1/2

Shanghai Lands ..... \$171 b  
Humphreys' Estates ..... \$14.35 b  
H.K. Realities ..... \$3.35 b

H.K. Territorials ..... —  
Prince's Buildings ..... —

### Public Utilities

H.K. Tramways ..... \$18.30 s  
Peak Trams (old) ..... \$12 1/2 b

Peak Trams (new) ..... \$6.80 n  
Star Ferries ..... \$67 1/2 b  
China Lights (comb.) ..... \$13.45 s

China Lights (old) ..... \$13.45 s  
China Lights (new) ..... —  
China Lights 1928 issue ..... —

H.K. Electrics (old) ..... \$56 1/4 b  
[56.35/1/2 sa]

H.K. Electrics (new) ..... —  
Macao Electrics ..... \$26 1/2 n

H.K. Telephones ..... \$7 b  
China Buses ..... \$13 b

Singapore Traction ..... \$11/6 n  
Singapore Pref. ..... \$16/6 b

Sandakan Lts. .... \$2 1/2 s

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Malabon Sugars ..... \$27 b

Canton Lees ..... \$13 b 1.90 s  
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Lare, Crawford ..... \$2 1/4 s

Mackintosh ..... \$18 b  
Sinceres ..... \$12 b

Wm. Powells ..... \$3.65 n

### Miscellaneous

H.K. Amusements ..... \$27 b  
Hong Kong Constructions ..... \$1 1/4 s

B. Ind.-C. Bond ..... \$6 1/2 n  
H.K. Govt. Loans ..... 7 1/2 % b Prem.

## COCAINE TRAFFIC

### SEVEN ARRESTS ON "TALMA" OFF CALCUTTA

Calcutta, April 9.

A Port Commissioner's launch made a six-mile dash in response to a wireless message from the "Talma" and recovered 100 pounds of cocaine, valued at Rs. 200,000, which had been thrown overboard.

The conduct of the crew of a small boat in signalling to men ashore aroused suspicion on board the "Talma." Seven arrests were made. The leader of the gang sprang overboard and escaped—"Straits Times."

## SIR J. S. VINE

### DEATH OF FORMER SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

London, April 10.

The death is announced of Sir John Richard Somers Vine at the age of 82 years. After many years as a journalist and special correspondent Sir John held the position of private secretary to the Lord Mayors of London for some years and was Official Agent to the Fisheries, Health, Inventions and Colonial Exhibitions from 1883-86—"Singapore Free Press."

A treaty renouncing war between Hayti and the Dominican Republic has been signed in Santo Domingo.



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## Sport Columns

### FOOTBALL SHIELD FINALS

#### TWO TO-MORROW

#### KOWLOON'S APPEARANCE FOR SEVENTH TIME

##### NAVY VERSUS ARMY

[By "Rover"]

For the seventh season in succession Kowloon enter the final of the Shield on Saturday and this time have as opponents South China A.A. at present playing good football. The latter Club also create a record by the fact that this is the first season a Chinese Club has appeared in the final of the Shield in the Senior Division.

There is a very light League programme, the official list for to-morrow being as follows:—

##### Shield—Division I.

(Final.)

Kowloon v. South China A.A. Club ground, Happy Valley. Kick-off, 4.30 p.m.

##### Shield—Division II.

(Final.)

Royal Navy v. K.O.S.B. Club ground, Happy Valley. Kick-off, 2.30 p.m.

##### League—Division I.

(Kick-off, 4.45 p.m.)

Navy v. Club de Recreio, Caroline Hill.

##### League—Division II.

(Kick-off, 4.45 p.m.)

Small, Units v. R.A.F., Soekumpoo.

The finals should be fine matches. The Second Division final will provide enough good football for one afternoon alone, as both Clubs are very smart and possess players quite up to First Division form, as many of those on duty on Saturday have played in much better class football than the local Second Division.

The Navy start warm favourites, as their form during the past few weeks has been almost irresistible, but the Borderers also have been playing most convincingly. In a dour struggle, which should be full of exciting passages, the Navy may, if they accept their chances, just pull it off. I should not be surprised to see the teams play extra time. The Borderers are more dangerous in front of goal than the Navy, but the Navy side have my fancy as at present they are very strong for a Second Division team in all positions.

The Senior Shield final promises to be one of the most attractive finals of many years. Kowloon, in virtue of their wonderful local record in the Shield, start warm favourites and are quietly confident. South China will be difficult to keep out, and I expect to see several goals in this match.

Both teams have clever forwards; at half, I think Kowloon have the pull; and there's not much advantage either way at full back and goal, each side possessing brilliant exponents. I think Pau and Angus are going to have a warm time in a match which should provide the spectators with many thrills.

Kowloon may win through their half-backs who, if they can hold South China's clever forwards, will do good work.

The Club ground will favour neither side, as both Clubs have given good displays there this season. We should see a great display if the keenness of the game does not affect the players.

There is bound to be a big crowd, who should be rewarded with a fine match fought every minute of the game, but I think it will be decided without extra time, as the full 45 minutes is to be played.

In spite of South China's lapse

### HOME FOOTBALL

#### UNIMPORTANT MATCH IN THE SOUTHERN SECTION

#### NEWPORT BEAT PLYMOUTH

London, Yesterday. In the Southern section of Division III. of the English League, Newport, playing on their own ground, defeated Plymouth by one goal to nil.—Reuter.

##### Amended Tables

|              | P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts. |
|--------------|------------------------|
| Northampton  | 39 19 11 9 91 51 49    |
| Queen's P.R. | 38 18 12 8 76 56 48    |
| Luton        | 38 19 10 9 86 55 48    |
| Charlton     | 38 20 8 10 81 57 48    |
| Fulham       | 39 19 9 11 95 68 47    |
| Crystal Pal. | 37 19 8 10 72 62 46    |
| Watford      | 37 19 7 11 76 64 46    |
| Plymouth     | 38 16 12 10 75 51 44   |
| Bournemouth  | 38 17 9 12 76 68 43    |
| Southend     | 39 15 10 14 76 69 40   |
| Coventry     | 39 14 11 14 59 54 39   |
| Brentford    | 39 14 10 15 56 56 38   |
| Walsall      | 38 13 12 13 70 71 38   |
| Swindon      | 37 12 11 14 64 67 35   |
| Newport      | 38 13 7 18 63 76 33    |
| Brighton     | 38 13 6 19 52 72 32    |
| Bristol R.   | 38 12 6 20 55 73 30    |
| Merthyr      | 39 10 8 21 61 100 28   |
| Exeter       | 39 9 10 20 65 83 28    |
| Torquay      | 37 11 5 21 57 77 27    |
| Norwich      | 37 11 4 22 53 72 26    |
| Gillingham   | 38 9 8 21 39 76 26     |

### GOLF

#### ADAMSON COMPETITION FOR APRIL

The Adamson Cup at Fanning resulted this month as under:—  
T. W. Carr... 93—24=69\*

##### \*Qualifies.

##### Other scores:—

|                 |          |
|-----------------|----------|
| F. E. Booker    | 87—16=71 |
| S. Stacey       | 96—24=72 |
| R. F. Clark     | 87—13=74 |
| A. J. W. Doring | 90—16=74 |

There were seven entries.

#### EARLIER CABLES

##### POINT FOR OLYMPIC CONGRESS

London, April 10. The Olympic committee has agreed to refer the final settlement of the definition of amateurism to the Olympic Congress in Berlin in 1930.

British Golf Championship. Over 120 entries have received for the British Amateur Golf Championship at Gosforth Park, Perkins, the holder, is not competing.

### TENNIS

London, April 10. Betty Nuthall will probably be partnering Miss Ryan in the doubles at Wimbledon.

The seriousness of Fraulein Aussem's eye trouble is contradicted. The treatment she has been undergoing has been successful, but great care will be necessary when she is playing at Wimbledon.

Merthyr's Troubles. Merthyr Football Club which is in bad financial circumstances is prepared to hand over the Club affairs free of debt to the suggested bona fide syndicate.

Ryder Cup Finance. There is much criticism over the fact that in order to finance the British Professional Golfers' Association, with £4,000, only £730 of which has been received from the public, to defray the cost of the Ryder Cup competition at Moortown, it is necessary to "peddle" half crown tickets of admission.

The American visitors are well supplied with funds.—"Singapore Free Press."

Oxford have been invited by Tokyo University to undertake a Rugby tour in Japan, but are unable to do so at present.

on Monday last, when the Somerset, in dashing game, deservedly won by the only goal scored, I fancy South China will just get home, but Kowloon have upset the prophets on many occasions this season already, and there will be not much in it either way.

Whose day will it be?

### BOXING

#### WORLD'S FLYWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP

#### UNSATISFACTORY FIGHT

Paris, Yesterday. In the return fifteen rounds contest for the world's flyweight championship Genaro beat Pladner, who was disqualified in the fifth round.

It was one of the most unsatisfactory fights for the world title in recent years. Genaro attacked from the first, and his spoiling tactics effectively kept the fight at close quarters, where Pladner did not shine. Pladner was sluggish and unenterprising.

The first four rounds were uneventful.

Genaro opened the fifth with one to the right jaw. Pladner countered and floored Genaro with a beautiful right upper cut. Genaro rose at the count of nine, but Pladner, whether over-anxious to finish off the American, or suffered a lapse of judgment, shot palpably low with a right hook, greatly paining his opponent, who was counted out. Three judges, however, gave the verdict to Genaro on a foul.—Reuter.

In the fight for the International Boxing Union's world's flyweight championship, over fifteen rounds, on March 2 Emile Pladner (France) knocked out Frankie Genaro (America) in the first round. The fight lasted only a few seconds. Genaro attacked at the outset, but Pladner soon retaliated and landed right and left, badly shaking the American, who fell on his back with arms crossed and was counted out before he regained his feet. Pladner was given an ovation by the crowd.]

### BOXER INJURED

#### HAP TO CORPORAL IN CAN, H.M.S. "KENT"

Corporal Duncan, Royal Marines, of H.M.S. "Kent," the well-known Navy boxer who gained much popularity in Shanghai where he once held the welterweight championship, figured in a distressing accident on board his ship yesterday morning.

His right hand was badly crushed in an ammunition hoist on board. Serious fractures were suffered by Duncan who, after he had received "first aid" from "Kent's" medical staff, was taken to the Naval Hospital.

Pending an X-ray examination, it is impossible to determine the extent of the injury, but the opinion is expressed that even if amputation is not necessary, an operation will be performed, resulting, in all probability, in the hand being permanently deformed. This accident will probably terminate the boxing career of "Shanghai's favourite."

The accident occurred whilst the ship's company of H.M.S. "Kent" were at "general quarters" practising "action" routine.

### EPSOM PICNICERS

London, April 10. The Epsom Grandstand association has now notified that private motorists will be prohibited from leaving the road to picnic on the Epsom Downs on Derby Day.—"Singapore Free Press."

### POLO PLAYER'S SUICIDE

London, April 10. The well-known Indian polo player Captain Denning committed suicide by shooting himself with a revolver in a London hotel yesterday.—"Singapore Free Press."

Henry Cotton, the young English golf professional who is touring in America, won first prize in a best-ball tournament at Hot Springs County Club with a score four strokes better than par. Several of the American Ryder Cup men were in the opposition.

The Cambridge Boat President has awarded Blues to T. A. Brocklebank, C. E. Wood-Lewis and E. Norman Butler.

### JOCKEY CLUB

#### EFFECT OF THE DEATH OF NOMINATORS

#### QUESTION OF FORFEITS

London, Yesterday. The annual financial meeting of the Jockey Club at Newmarket passed a motion by which from May 9, 1929, nominations for the races will not be void on the death of a nominator.

The alteration in the rules is a sequel to a friendly action brought by Mr. Edgar Wallace (the well-known novelist and playwright) against the Jockey Club which established that forfeits can be recovered.

There have been many instances of famous horses having been prevented from competing in important races owing to the deaths of their nominators. The Derby winner "Call Boy" is a case in point, among races he was prevented from competing in being the St. Leger.—Reuter.

#### ENTRIES FOR FOURTH EXTRA MEETING

#### FIVE HANDICAP EVENTS

There are eight races on the card for the fourth extra race meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club which takes place at Happy Valley on Saturday, April 27. Five are handicap races, one is an event confined to novices who will ride non-winning subscription griffins and another is confined to ponies that have started at least twice in Hong Kong and have not won anywhere more than one race this year.

The programme is as follows:—  
Customs Handicap: "A" Class: Once Round (about 7 furlongs 55 yards).—For China Ponies. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$150. 3rd Prize: \$100.

Customs Handicap: "B" Class: Once Round (about 7 furlongs 55 yards).—For China Ponies. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$150. 3rd Prize: \$100.

Customs Handicap: "C" Class: Once Round (about 7 furlongs 55 yards).—For China Ponies. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$150. 3rd Prize: \$100.

Substitute Stakes: One Mile.—Value \$500. For all China Ponies. Catch weights at 10 st. 9 lb. Winners of one race this year, 5 lbs. penalty; of two races 7 lbs. penalty; of three or more races, 10 lbs. penalty. Subscription griffins of this Club of any Season allowed 7 lbs. 2nd Prize: \$300. 3rd Prize: \$150.

Lead Mine Handicap: "B" Class: One and a Quarter Miles.—For China Ponies. 1st Prize: \$450. 2nd Prize: \$200. 3rd Prize: \$100.

Pineapple Plate: Six Furlongs.—For China Ponies that have started in Hong Kong at least twice this year and have not won anywhere more than one race this year. Winners 7 lbs. penalty. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$150. 3rd Prize: \$100.

Fotaunum Plate (Novices): One Mile.—For China Ponies.—Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription griffins of this club of this Season allowed 5 lbs. To be ridden by Jockeys who have not won five flat races in Hong Kong, China or elsewhere. Jockeys, 2 lbs. extra for each race won. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$150. 3rd Prize: \$100.

Lead Mine Handicap: "A" Class: One and a Quarter Miles.—For China Ponies. 1st Prize: \$450. 2nd Prize: \$200. 3rd Prize: \$100.

#### The Entries

The following are the entries in the non-handicap events:—  
Substitute Stakes—One Mile: Monterey Bay, Duke of Chantilly, Chesapeake Bay, Christmas Chimes, Duke of Nieblung, Huntington, Winsome Stag, Tarmacadam, Grand Tattoo Eve.

Pineapple Plate—Six Furlongs: Young Pretender, Monterey Bay, Fifty Fifty, One Third, Duke of Normandy II, U N II, As you Like It, City Hall, Duke of Nieblung, Cream Cracker, Skinfaxi, Nukhail, Glory, Imperial Hall, Mowgli, Blue World, Buster (158), Mount Elburz (155), San Francisco (158), Winsome Stag (155), Tarmacadam (152), Aberdeen (158), Fanning (158), Chow Tze Lon (155), Erin's Isle (155).

Fotaunum Plate (Novices) Half Pint (150lb.), Big Ben (156), Sunloch (155), Duke of Milan (150), Ploughman (155), Pumpkin (150), Bunting (150), The Ptarmigan (153), King's Parade (147), Sopron (150), Sunshine (147), Mountain Air (150), Charleston (144), The Jungle Book (147), False Alarm (147), Armony (163), Inca (147), Mirror Hall (150), Bowden (150), Heretofore (150), Bronze Idol (147).

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Mr. B. D. F. Beith, of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., is the only member nominated.

He will be proposed by the representative of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire and seconded by the representative of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

macadam, Aberdeen, Fanning Stag, Chow Tze Lon, Erin's Isle, Fotaunum Plate (Novices)—One Mile: Half Pint, Big Ben, Sunloch, Duke of Milan, Ploughman, Pumpkin, Bunting, The Ptarmigan, King's Parade, Sopron, Sunshine, Mountain Air, Charleston, The Jungle Book, False Alarm, Armony, Inca, Mirror Hall, Bowden, Heretofore, Bronze Idol.

### THE WEIGHTS

Substitute Stakes Monterey Bay (154lb.), Duke of Chantilly (156), Chesapeake Bay (156), Christmas Chimes (159), Duke of Nieblung (158), Huntington (156), Winsome Stag (158), Tarmacadam (149), Grand Tattoo Eve (156).

Pineapple Plate Young Pretender (162lb.), Monterey Bay (155), Fifty Fifty (162), One Third (153), Duke of Normandy II (165), U N II (158), As you Like It (158), City Hall (158), Duke of Nieblung (158), Cream Cracker (164), Skinfaxi (162), Nukhail (159), Glory (159), Imperial Hall (156), Mowgli (155), Blue World (155), Buster (158), Mount Elburz (155), San Francisco (158), Winsome Stag (155), Tarmacadam (152), Aberdeen (158), Fanning (158), Chow Tze Lon (155), Erin's Isle (155).

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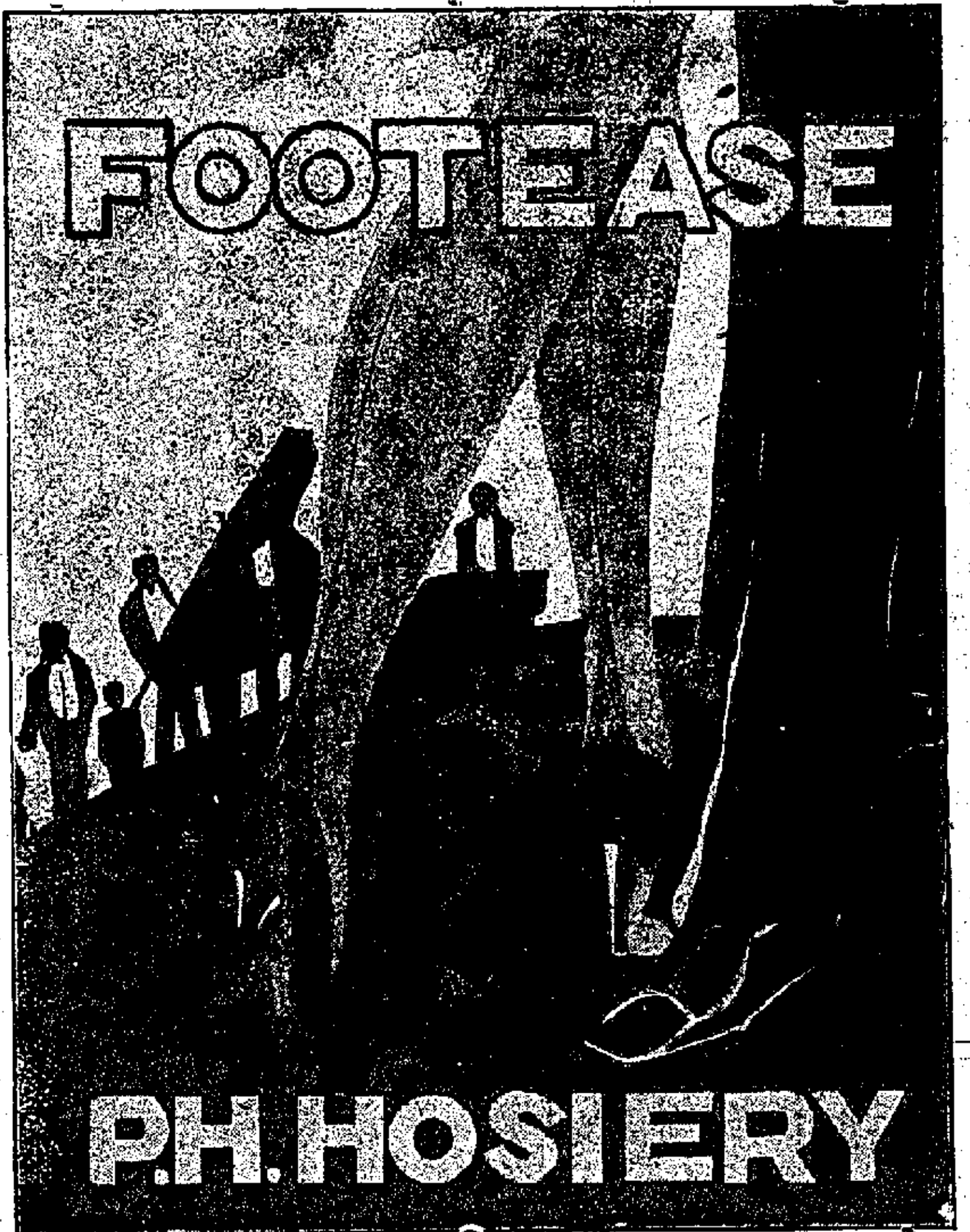
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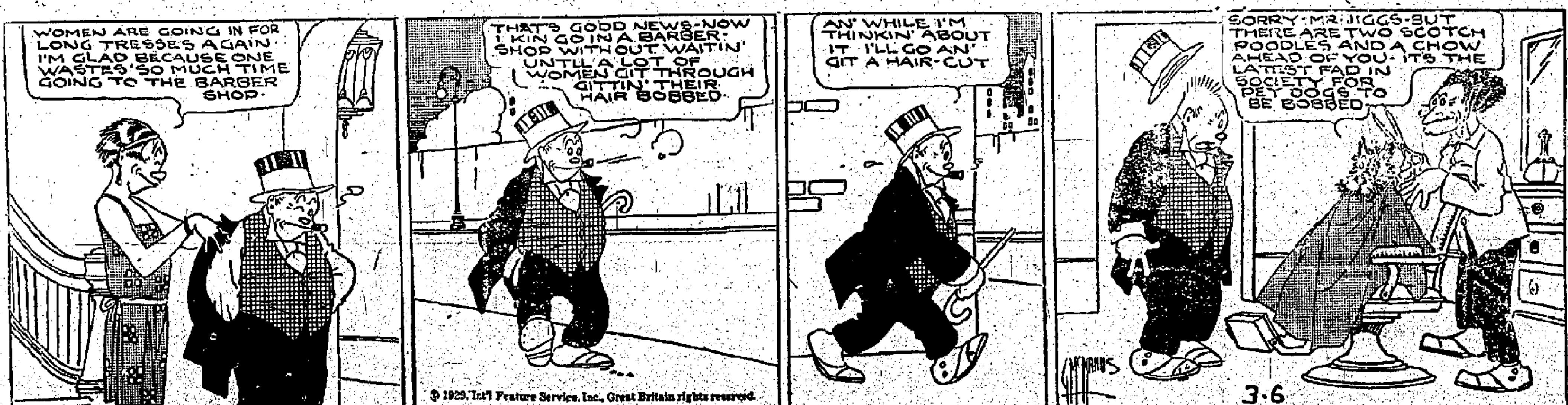
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Here's a recent portrait of Prince Olaf of Norway and his bride, Princess Marthe of Sweden, who were married at Oslo, Norway, last month.

No Cares of State



This is the most recent picture of Prince Carol, exiled ruler of Roumania, enjoying the company of his famous friend, Madame Lupescu, at Paris. The Prince abdicated his throne to his son, Michael, in order that he might enjoy the gay life of the Riviera and other famous places.

A Real Indian Papoose!



Lucy Spotted Crow, right, with Baby White House, called on Vice-President Curtis at Washington, D.C. to show him her baby named to commemorate the inauguration which took place in the year of his birth. Mrs. Nicholas Longworth, left, happened to be calling at the same time with her daughter Pauline, whose eyes popped right out of her head at meeting a real Indian papoose.

Commissioner of Education



A portrait study of Dr. William John Cooper, of California, the new United States Commissioner of Education. Dr. Cooper has long been associated with education, having been active in his own State as Superintendent of public instructions.

New Chief of Marines



Maj. Gen. Wendell Cushing Neville, who succeeds Maj.-Gen. John A. Lejeune as Commandant of the United States Marine Corps.

Trotzky's Successor



General Vorshiloff, new Commander-in-Chief of the entire Soviet Army. He succeeds the exiled and deposed leader, Trotzky, who is now reported in Turkey.

Breaks Long Silence



Joseph Caillaux, former Premier of France, by his action in reviving Parliament for effectiveness, is believed to be making a bid for return to the power he once enjoyed.

Antarctic Explorer



Captain Sir Hubert Wilkins, noted explorer, on his return from South Polar regions. Photo shows famous scientist greeting his fiancée, Miss Suzanne Bonnett. Speculation is rife regarding the early marriage of the pair, now that his third Antarctic journey is ended.

Lindy Completes Air Mail Trip



Writing another page of his already brilliant career, Colonel Charles Lindbergh flew the first air mail from Mexico City to Brownsville, Texas, and return without mishap. This was his first long flight since his mishap at Valbuena Field, in which he dislocated his shoulder when landing on one wheel with Miss Anne Morrow as passenger.

Divorce? It's All Right With Her



When informed that Lieutenant Benjamin Manning was seeking a divorce, Mrs. Lois Knowlton Manning, the former wife of Horace Dodge, Jr., declared she would welcome her freedom. Upon being told that the lieutenant had declared her "money was intolerable" Mrs. Manning only smiled, and suggested there had been times "when my money was not as great a curse as Mr. Manning would have you believe."

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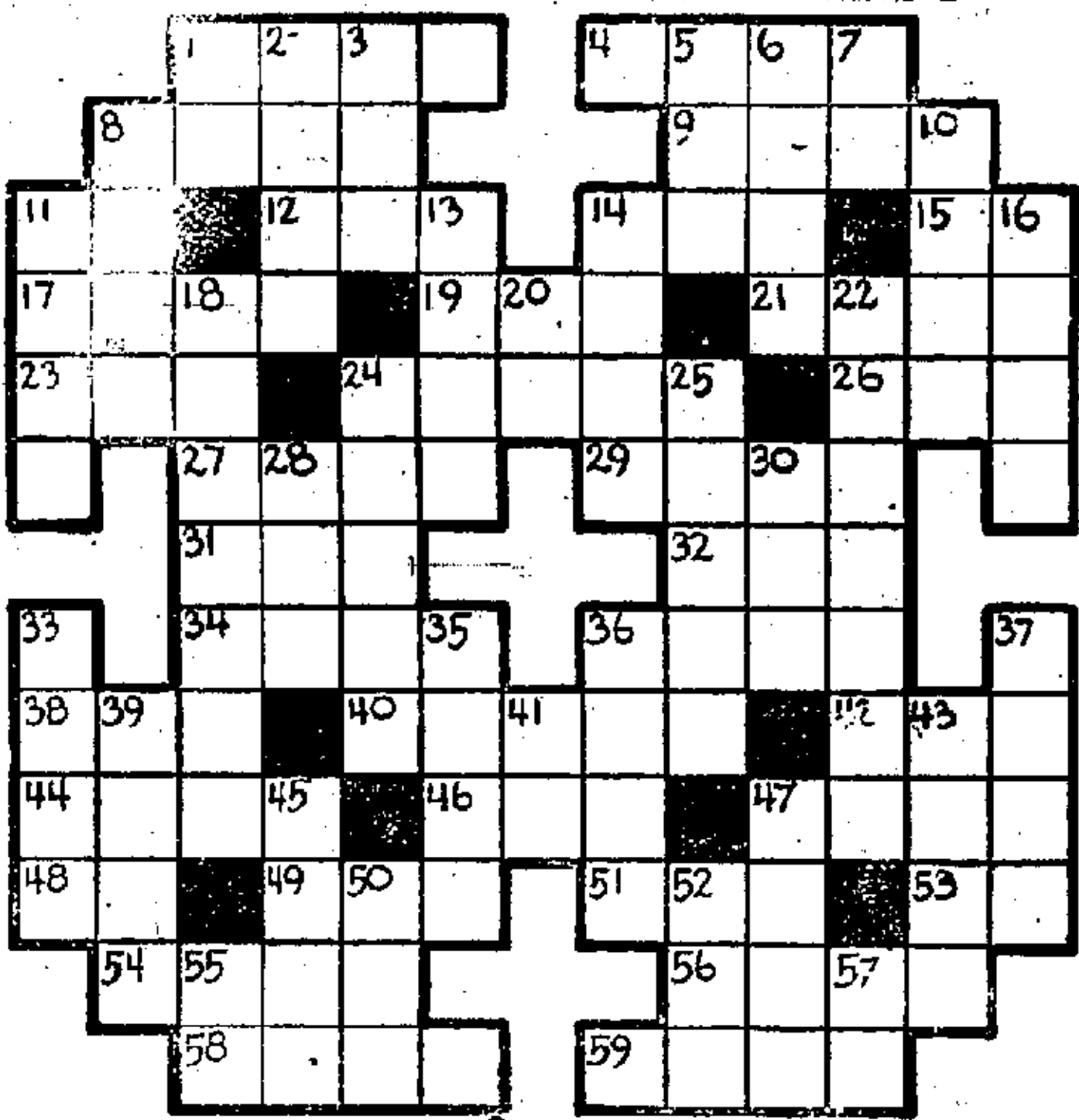
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### DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



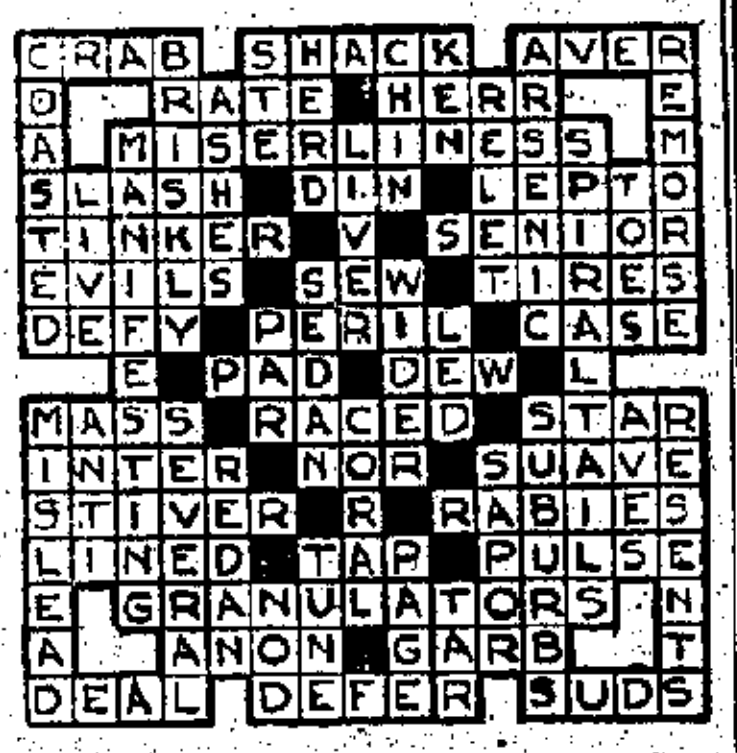
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| 1-Refuse                 | 46-Call of dove                | 14-To the utmost degree              |
| 2-Plant stalk            | 47-New name                    | 15-Require                           |
| 3-Out-door game          | 48-Christiania                 | 16-Defame                            |
| 4-Paradise               | 49-Printer's measure           | 20-College degree (abbr.)            |
| 5-Exist                  | 50-Ancient Order of            | 22-Rise                              |
| 6-Anger                  | 51-Hibernians (abbr.)          | 24-The Chinese pound                 |
| 7-Sack                   | 52-Compact mass                | 25-Custom                            |
| 8-Ahead                  | 53-Within                      | 26-Grassy meadow                     |
| 9-A young woman          | 54-Ireland (postic)            | 30-Part of the body                  |
| 10-Man's name (short)    | 55-Musical composition for one | 33-Omit                              |
| 11-Comfort               | 56-The southwest wind          | 35-Every                             |
| 12-Measure of length     | 57-Segment                     | 36-Exhibit                           |
| 13-Loud noise            | <b>VERTICAL</b>                | 37-Soon                              |
| 14-Observe               | 1-Perform                      | 39-A walking stick                   |
| 15-Man's name            | 2-Name of Greece               | 41-Company (abbr.)                   |
| 16-Soapstone             | 3-Likewise not                 | 43-A melody                          |
| 17-Ensnare               | 4-Beverage                     | 45-Having a natural luster, as a gem |
| 18-Insect                | 5-Margin                       | 47-Savor                             |
| 19-Fruit                 | 6-Fronton                      | 50-Unit                              |
| 20-Emblem                | 7-Rebound                      | 52-Man's name                        |
| 21-Playing card          | 8-Part of face                 | 53-Sun's god                         |
| 22-Pleasure boat         | 10-Blasted                     | 57-Lieutenant (abbr.)                |
| 23-Spanish title         | 11-Attain                      |                                      |
| 24-A small mountain lake |                                |                                      |

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)



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### MARIE PREVOST

#### GETS LEAD IN "THE RACKET"

Marie Prevost has landed one of the most sought-after feminine roles of the year—leading lady with Thomas Meighan in "The Racket." Announcement of the choice comes from Howard Hughes, president of the Caddo Company, who selected the noted little star from more than a score of prominent actresses seeking the part.

As "The Girl" in "The Racket," hailed as the greatest of all under-world stories, Marie is afforded one of her finest screen characterizations. Aside from the extra talent, she will be the only feminine player in the cast.

Miss Prevost is one of filmdom's favorite stars. She has a world-wide fan following, and Mr. Hughes believes she will be a big asset to the impressive cast he is rounding up to support Meighan.

"The Racket," under direction of Lewis Milestone, is being produced by the Caddo Company for Paramount release.



Whisper blaweth that comes a day soon when Constance Talmadge and her fiancé, T. Netcher, will board a ship bound for Honolulu and the matrimonial hitching post.

### FOREIGN PLAYERS

#### SIGNED BY PARAMOUNT COMPANY

The pre-war Triple Alliance of European powers will have a studio counterpart when the trio of recent additions to the Paramount stock company arrive on the lot in the near future.

Britain, France and Russia will be represented by a talented player in this trio, according to an announcement made by Jesse L. Lasky upon his recent arrival in New York from Europe.

The three new contract players are John Loder, noted British screen player; Maurice Chevalier, favourite of the Paris music halls; and Paul Guertzman, fifteen-year-old Russian refugee who will be given an opportunity to show his ability before the camera.

Loder, who is a veteran of the war and a former captain in the British army, is considered by Lasky as one of the most promising leading men in the screen world. Loder's life has been a series of thrilling adventures. He is the son of a retired general of the British army and has had considerable experience in European pictures. He signed a contract while Lasky was in London on his recent European tour.

Maurice Chevalier is well-known to the theatrical profession throughout the world. His forthcoming arrival in America is considered the

### "THE RESCUE"

#### A THRILLING TALE OF THE SEA

#### AT THE QUEEN'S

"The Rescue," which is being shown at the Queen's Theatre, is a splendid illustration of the manner in which Samuel Goldwyn has elevated Ronald Colman, who gives the most stirring characterization of his career.

The film, adapted from Joseph Conrad's story, is a romantic adventure of the sea. Photographed against tropical backgrounds of magnificent beauty, one follows the adventures of a trader in Java, who has promised a native chief that he will help to restore his (the chief's) lost empire. In the midst of his plans, a British yacht comes on the scene and Mrs. Travers, a passenger, causes the trader to forsake the cause of the natives for that of the woman he loves.

Thrilling battles between the natives and the whites and the destruction of a ship loaded with dynamite valued at \$50,000, are striking features.

### KEYSTONE PLAYERS

#### RE-UNITED AT PARAMOUNT STUDIO

Fourteen years ago Chester Conklin, Joe Bordeaux and Billy Gilbert were extra players together at the Keystone comedy studio and Charles "Chuck" Reisner was a scenario writer at the same studio.

In "Fools For Luck," a picture now in production at the Paramount studio in Hollywood, Conklin is co-starred with W. C. Fields, Reisner is the director, and Bordeaux and Gilbert are among the large group of extras.

Reminiscences of the stirring days when motion pictures were in their infancy were in order when Conklin encountered Bordeaux and Gilbert among extras who were called to his set during the filming of a small town ballroom scene.

Conklin is not a man who forgets a friend. Consequently when he saw Bordeaux and Gilbert he was just the old troupier again and they talked for hours.

Reisner is just as little apt to forget a friend as Conklin. Bordeaux and Gilbert are always among those who find work on the comedies that Reisner directs.

### Norma Now In Talkies



Norma Talmadge, one of the screen's most popular stars, who is now working on her first "talkie."

most important American debut of a foreign actor since Emil Jannings came to this country.

Chevalier has starred in a number of Parisian stage productions. He speaks English perfectly and is regarded as one of the greatest pantomimic actors on the Continental stage. His voice is said to be perfect for mechanical reproduction. He is reported to resemble Richard Dix in his physique and to possess unlimited dramatic talent.

A story is now being written especially for Chevalier by one of the foremost French dramatists. Lasky stated in connection with the announcement of Chevalier's forthcoming trip to America.

The third member of the "triple alliance" is young Guertzman, whom Lasky has nicknamed the "Shadow." He won his opportunity by his persistency and a practical demonstration of his pantomimic ability while the film executive was in Paris.

Unable to speak a word of English, Guertzman in pantomime told the vice-president in charge of production the story of his life, expressed his desire to come to America and convinced Lasky that he had the spark of genius.

### NEWEST VOGUE

#### HOLLYWOOD'S FUTURISTIC JEWELLERY

Futuristic jewellery has entered the realm of fashion on the coast-tail of futuristic furniture which has held the fancy of style dictators for the past six months.

An example of this vogue is presented in the new spring jewellery adopted by Ruth Taylor, Paramount screen player.

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The pale yellow crystal promises to be the reigning shade in jewellery this spring.



Bebe Daniels has been on an air flight with her 80-year-old grandmother and Ben Lyon.

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